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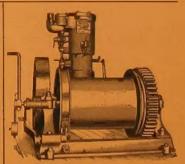
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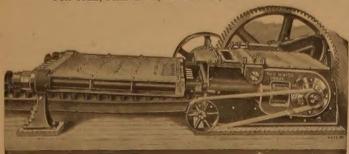
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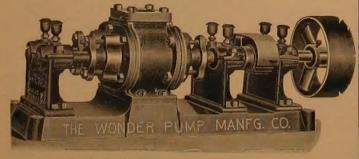
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OUR NEW YORK OFFICE.

We have recently taken a commodious and convenient office in the Hudson Building, No. 32 Broadway, New York City, and we take pleasure in placing the same at the disposal of our subscribers, advertisers and friends. Lower Broadway is now the center of the mining district of New York, and the Hudson Building is most accessibly situated for people interested in the mining industry. We shall be pleased to keep carefully any mail that may be forwarded in our care, to arrange appointments at our office, or to help our readers in any similar ways, as occasion

THE MEETING OF CONGRESS.

Next Monday the 4th inst. the 56th Congress will convene in its first session. As it immediately precedes the Presidential election its proceedings will be watched with unusual interest.

Besides this, the questions that will come before it are such as the American people regard as of the greatest consequence. Its action will have an important influence on the Presidential election. It is in this session that each political party will apply its best strategy in seeking to gain advantages over

its opponent.

The Philippines question will be absorbing, and upon which there is likely to be the most spirit and eloquence displayed. principles which will be recognized in the government of the Archipelago will have an important bearing in future upon our institu-tions and political ethics. It will be the same in regard to Porto Rico, though conditions will require some modifications. There will also be disclosed the policy in regard to Cuba, towards which our attitude is unprecedented and enigmatical. In regard to all these islands we are dealing with populations very unlike any our government has ever at tempted to manage. The problems are difficult, and their solution will not only have an important bearing upon the future of those countries, but upon the nation as an entirety.

There are several economic questions that press for solution. Trusts are the order of the day, and there is just ground for fear that they will be employed to oppress the masses. Having control of the forces of production and distribution of commodities necessary to life, they possess the power to prescribe wages, prices of raw materials and of their own products. Therefore the great body of producers and the consumers are at their mercy. It is claimed that combinations and trusts can produce cheaper, and that is the defense of their formation, but while this may be true, the question is will they lessen prices to consumers? Having the power to increase them at will, is there not just ground for apprehension that from the prompting of the selfishness of human nature, they will fix prices in disregard of the common welfare? Is not the formation of trusts for the sole purpose of enlarging profits to their members?

The money question will surely be pre-sented in various phases. The Controller of the Currency declares that two features will be pushed upon Congress, one being a declaration for the complete gold standard and the other that when the greenbacks and treasury notes are taken in by the government they shall not be reissued except for gold. These propositions suggest inquiry as to what the result will be.

What effect will a declaration for an abso-

lute gold standard have upon the silver dollar and the silver certificates? Will it not be held that such a declaration restores them to the gold standard, the value being based upon the price of silver in the market? It must be remembered that the rulings of the Secretaries of the Treasury since 1891 have been inimical to silver, and that to disparage it there have been strained, if not indefensible, constructions of statutes. The present Secretary of the Treasury is among the extremest goldites, and it is certain that he will follow in the footsteps, and probably go farther, than any of his predecessors.

The effect of prohibiting the reissue of greenbacks and treasury notes except for gold will be their practical retirement, for it can easily be conceived, except under very peculiar circumstances, that any one will take his gold to the treasury to be exchanged for government paper. The banks desiring to open the way for putting out their own notes, will sort out the government notes and present them for redemption in gold, and in payment of customs duties and taxes they will find their way into the treasury, where they must remain till the gold is brought to be exchanged for them.

The two propositions have the appearance of being devices for reducing our money volume to gold, bank notes and fractional silver coins. We shall have something to say of the action of Congress as development takes

GENESIS OF THE DIAMOND.

As extinct volcanoes are found in great numbers in the desert sections of the Southwestern States, the possibility of the discovery of diamonds in commercial quantity is of importance to prospectors. A few single specimens of diamond of gem value have been found in the placer workings of Northern California, which makes the prospect still more probable, and in that connection the following is instructive:

"The "dry diggings" of the Kimberly district, in South Africa, afford the unique locality in which the diamond has thus far been found in its original home, says Prof. W. H. Hobbs, in Appleton's Popular Science Monthly for November, and all our knowledge of the genesis of the mineral has been derived from the study of this locality. The mines are located in "pans," in which is found the "blue ground," now recognized as the disintegrated matrix of the diamond. These "pans" are known to be the "pipes," or "necks," of former volcanoes, now deeply dissected by the forces of the atmosphere-in fact, worn down if not to their roots, at least to their stumps. These remnants of the "pipes," through which the lava reached the surface, are surrounded in part by a black shale, containing a large percentage of car-bon, and this is believed to be the material out of which the diamonds have been formed. What appears to be modified fragments of the black shale inclosed within the "pipes" afford evidence that portions of the shale have been broken from the parent beds by the force of the ascending current of lava-a common enough accompaniment to volcanic action-and have been profoundly altered by the high temperature and the extreme hydrostatic pressure under which the mass must have been held. The most important feature of this alteration has been the recrystallization of the carbon of the shale into diamond.

This apparent explanation of the genesis of the diamond finds strong support in the ex-

periments of Moissian, who obtained artificial diamond by dissolving carbon in molten iron and immersing the mass in cold water until a firm surface crust had formed. The "chill' mass was then removed, to allow its still molten core to solidify slowly. This it does with the development of enormous pressures, because the natural expansion of the iron on passing into the solid condition is resisted by the strong shell of "chilled" metal. The isolation of the diamond was the accomplished by dissolving the iron in acid.

BULLETIN OF KANSAS MINERAL RESOURCES.

The Annual Bulletin of the Mineral Resources of Kansas for 1898, by Erasmus Haworth, Professor of the Department of Physical Geology and Mineralogy and Chief Geologist of the University Geological Survey of Kansas, contains 127 pages and 22 illustra-tions. The first desirable point which meets the reader's eye is good wide margins, so that the reader has room on each page for private notes, which is a commendable feature in a statistical publication. The introduction contains four pages, which are reproduced on another part of this issue. The history of the recent gold excitement in Russell, Ellis and Trogo Counties is reviewed, and the negative result of some two hundred assays and sound geological reasons given, for the hopeless prospect of finding commercial amounts of gold in the Cretaceous shales of Kansas. Lead and zinc being the chief mineral products of the State, receive extended notice. Oil and gas sources, both present and prospective, are reviewed. Gypsum, building stones, clays, hydraulic cement, with the subjects already mentioned occupy the first 66 pages, and the remainder of the work is taken up with the ancient and modern history and different processes of the manufacture of salt by M. Z. Kirk. As salt is the third most important mineral product of the State, this excellent technical and statistical review of the present status of the industry is of more than local interest, as it is of value to all salt manufacturers, and forms an object lesson which a good many states can profit by copying, how such technical reports should be made to ecord the industrial development of their secion of the country and add value to an annual statistical report. As a rule it is not desirable to have State Geological and Statistical work done by University Staff Professors, on the principle that a man cannot serve two masters well or efficiently, but the excellent work of the University Geological Survey of Kansas is a very happy exception to that rule, as is evident from the high class and complete work produced, of which the present Bulletin forms the last issue.

FORMATION AND CONTROL OF TRUSTS.

Under this title, President Hadley has written for the November number of Scribner's one of the most thoughtful and philosophic articles that has yet appeared on the recent and continuing consolidation of industries. He thinks that the movement has already spent itself, so far as it is based on the desire of promoters to load up the public at fancy prices with securities of doubtful merit; but a genuine economic reform underlies the phenomenon in its essential qualities, and consolidations will go on so far as they are based on real advances in operating and distributing administration. Attempts to stop this natural evolution of industry will be as futile in the realm of manufacture as they have been here tofore in that of transportation. Their vast powers of good or evil to the consuming public make the managers of these enormous corporations real trustees in a sense not commonly realized. The wise exercise of this trust cannot be provided for by legal enactment, but must come from a widened conception of directors' responsibility to the public as well as to stockholders. As the movement of consolidation goes on, and the semipublic functions of directors are more and more recognized and insisted upon, the difference between public and private business will diminish; and this difference is likely in time to become so slight that the question of state ownership of industrial enterprises will cease to be important.

This skeletonized statement of President Hadley's article shows the drift of his opin-In most respects his essay is in line with the best thought on the subject. He makes a distinct departure, however, from the doctrine of many able economists in believing that the growth of consolidated business not only does not foster socialism, but actually tends to retard the nationalization of industry. His argument is forceful, and will doubtless receive much attention from students of the subject.

TRADE IN WEBER GASOLINE ENGINES.

One of the largest single orders ever given by a firm for gasoline engines was secured last month by the Weber Gasoline Engine Co., 434 Southwest Boulevard, Kansas City, Mo. The order calls for engines aggregating 450 horse power, subdivided in units of 50, 40 and 30 horse power engines. All are to operate on No. 2 F. H. distillate and are being built for the Ray Mines Ltd. in Arizona. The corporation operates large copper mines and is incorporated for two and one-half million dollars. The order given to the Weber Company will mean an outlay of \$50,000.

There are some very interesting features connected with this order and the district where the engines are to be delivered. contract was very eagerly sought by leading manufacturers of gas and gasoline engines in the United States, England and Germany. English engine builders were especially keen after it, as the mining corporation is a strong

English concern.

No. 2 distillate is perhaps the cheapest fuel known, and the engines will be operated by it at a cost of six-tenths of a cent per hour for each horse power. They will be run twenty-four hours per day. The entire number of engines must be built and in operation at the mines by April 1, 1900. The mines are lo-cated eighty miles from the railroad, but the mining company at an expense of \$15,000 has graded and made a roadway the entire distance. This will necessitate hauling the engines in wagons to the seat of future operations. The Weber Company will send a corps of machinists to set up the engines. Some idea of the mining company's operations may be formed from the fact that this array of power-producing machinery consti-tutes but one-half of the power plant. The remaining half will be installed within one

The contract expressly states the engines must be installed and in operation by April 1st, and to do this in the five months' time the Weber Company will operate its factory day and night. Another order for a 30 horse

power engine was completed and shipped Oct. 25th to the Norwegian Copper Works. This order was secured through the London agent of the Weber Company and will be op-erated in a corner of the world of which little is known by the great majority of the people. The shipping directions which accompanied the order may be read, but the average American will hardly dare to attempt to pronounce them. Here they are: Norwegian Copper Works Birtavarre in Kaafjord, Lyngenfjord Island of Tromso. Rand-McNally's atlas of the world places the island North of the Northern coast of Norway and near the 70th parallel. It is farther North than Ireland and almost as far North as the most Northern point of Alaska. Into this remote place a specially constructed gasoline engine bearing the name of the Weber Gas & Gasoline Engine Co., Kansas City, U.S. A., is to be operated for running the blowers for the furnaces of the Norwegian Copper Works. Another shipment will shortly be made to the Isthmus of Panama, where quite a number of Weber Engines are in successful use. To get back home again, a 50 horse power Weber Engine has just been installed by J. G. Peppard, the wholesale seed merchant, who has been using Weber Engines for the past nine

The Company's business is in a flourishing condition and from every quarter of the globe orders are being received.

We desire information concerning the Burdett Mining Co., which in 1865 issued stock on which Edward Pierrepont's name appeared as President. Any reader of the JOURNAL who can inform us whether the company is still in existence, or, if not, what disposition was made of its affairs, will confer a great

William Pigot, a mining expert from Seat-tle passed through Los Angeles, after an inspection of the iron mines or deposits just east of San Ysidro, about 200 miles down the Lower California Coast from San Diego. These deposits are owned by A. Godbe and General Webb, and are known to be very extensive and of very high grade. Mr. Pigot represents wealthy capitalists of the Puget Sound country who may become interested in the property. His report of his investigations will undoubtedly be favorable to the property, although when seen he declined to make public any opinion on the property, saying that was reserved for the owners.

Announcement is made of the organization of the New York Air Compressor Company, under the laws of the State of New Jersey. The capital stock of the company is \$100,000, and a complete foundry and machine shop plant has been purchased on the line of the New York & Greenwood Lake Railroad, at Arlington, N. J. The New York Offices of the Company are at 120 Liberty Street. Contracts have already been let for a full modern equipment of tools.

It is intended to manufacture a complete line of air compressing machinery at this new

The Officers of the Company are: J. W. Duntley, President; Alexander Mackay, Vice-President; W. P. Pressinger, Secretary and Treasurer.

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MINING IN SONORA,*

BY J. R. SOUTHWORTH.

The opening up of the riches of the State of Sonora is traveling with gigantic steps and very soon this will be one of the principal sources of wealth as the improvement in agriculture and its production and the growing development of its mines are placing it in the

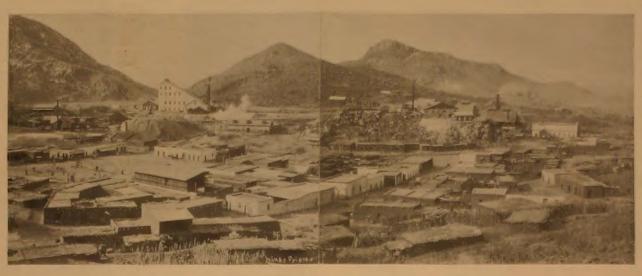
vast territory is formed of a network of metalliferous veins, of deposits of coal, gold placers, and enormous veins of silver.

Minas Prietas and La Colorada are among the most prominent districts in the state,

It was toward the middle of the last century, about the year of 1743, when, according to reliable accounts, the existence of large deposits of gold in this most important region

ancient workings, the large number of arrastras, the immense dumps of tailings and the ruins of large buildings which still are to be seen at some points. Algame and Las Placitas were known at that time as the "Real de Candelaria.

The mines being abandoned for the space of many years, the active and expert miner, Don Ricardo Johnson denounced the known group



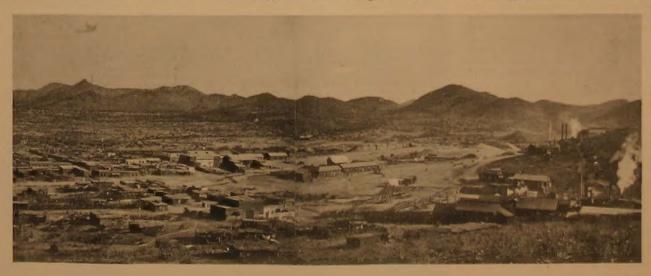
MINAS PRIETAS

vanguard of the other states forming the Mexican Confederation.

Mining in the last few years has taken a great increment and we are now commencing to see foreign capital embarked in the development of this great industry which is one of the principal elements of life in this region. Any one who has a slight knowledge of the forward steps that mining has taken lately will understand that this industry is the one which

of Senora became known, the mines, Sierritas, Verde, Aqua and Colorada being then discovered and worked by the Jesuit missionaries who established at that time the Real Algame, as the nearest point to water for the treatment of the ores which they took out in large quantities from said mines, until the persistant molestation of the Indians compelled them to abandon the district. Afterward, in 1790, miners from Algame and Las

of Minas Prietas under the denominations of San Juan, Delfina, Amparo, Florencia and Creston, and for years under the protection of the house of Ortiz Bros., Hermosillo worked them with more or less good fortune, until he sold the first four locations for \$150,000 to a rich North American company, which immediately began to work them systematically, establishing large reduction works at a cost of more than \$300,000, and in a short time took



LA COLORADA

has taken the most important place, and it is also the one most succeptible to prosperity, as it brings foreign capital belonging almost always to companies and syndicates more or less wealthy; and also because of the innumerable quantity of mines being discovered daily and benefitting, all shows us that this Placitas exploited for eight or ten years with good results the mines of Prietas, Verde, and others; but some of them becoming flooded and others abandoned, they remained at the mercy of the chloriders who many years worked them after their own fashion without greater advantage.

The importance of these mines is revealed solely by observing the magnitude of the

out many millions of dollars until 1891, when the interior works were destroyed by fire and the company, being aware that the value of the ore had decreased, was content to nominally preserve its property in said mines without undertaking any new work upon them such as was necessary to put them in paying condition. Subsequently they were purchased by the Creston-Colorada Mining Co. In 1886,



GRAND CHNTRAL MINING COMPANY

MEN'S QUARTERS OFFICE NOISE

NEW 30-STAN

TRAMWAY TO NEW SHAFT

Messrs. Chamberlain & Price bought of Mr. Johnson the Creston Mine, which may be considered as the extension of the Minas Prietas, together with the Santa Cruz and Colorada, for the sum of \$200,000.

The important mines, Amarillas, Verde, and Grand Central, also no less rich properties, belong to diverse owners in which systematic work has been undertaken and powerful machinery erected for treating their ores.

In 1896, the London Exploration Company purchased the Amarillas and Grand Central mines and consolidated their ownership into one corporation known as the Grand Central Mining Co.

There are besides new mines belonging to the Union Mining Company—seventeen in number—covering an area of four leagues in circumfrance, in which extensive prospecting work has been done with good results.

BlancJulia and Fortuna, two prospecting shafts, are being opened by a Mexican company for the purpose of cutting the principal veins that cross the district from east to west in that section, and the now very important mine, La Patria, which from a simple prospect has become a rich mine with a promising future, the ores of which pay a value of \$100 per ton.

Intelligent miners, native and foreign, agree that this is one of the most important mining regions of the entire world.

The mines of the Grand Central Mining Company, (Ltd.), are at an attitude of 1700 feet above the sea level. The company was registered August 6th 1896, with a capital of £250,000 sterling or \$1,250,000, with head offices in London, England. Besides the above mentioned Amarillas and Grand Central mines, the Company owns the Negra, Violeta, Montana del Oro, South

Verde, La Verde and the Sonora, the acreage of the claims amounting to 323 acres. Surrounding the mines are a number of wood ranches covering a territory of over 200,000 acres in which the company owns interests.

The past productions of these mines have been very great, it having been estimated that the gross production has amounted in round numbers to \$2,225,000. The country rock in which the several veins of the mines named are found, is a hornblendic diorite repositing upon which, where not eroded and capping the higher hills is a quartzitic rock, which close examination may prove to be a silicified porphyry. Generally accompanying the veins either on one side or the other are dykes of a rock provisionally termed quartz porphyry.

The ore is principally quartz and carries varing amounts of pyrite, Chalcopyrite and galena. The value of the ores in gold and silver, the proportion of each metal varing greatly shows, about sixty-five per cent. of the value in gold and thirty-five per cent. of the value in silver.

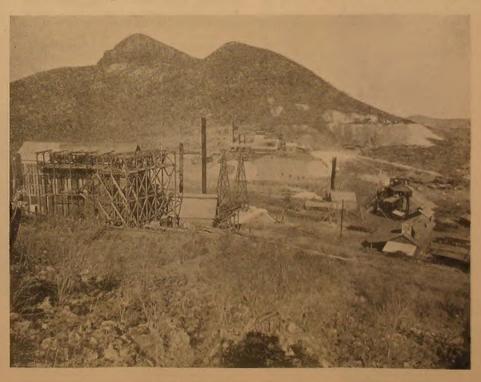
The surface equipment of these mines are excellent and improvements are constantly being made.

The Creston Colorado Company was composed of the above named Gentlemen Messrs. Chamberlain & Price, but in 1892 both partners died and the property was run by the two estates until April 1895 when the present Company was formed of which E. R. Perkins, of Cleveland, Ohio, is president, the stockholders all living in Cleveland.

Work was commenced on the Colorada claim to develop it; and at the same time the construction of the Colorada mill was commenced, and the work was pushed rapidly forward to an early com-

pletion. This mill has run continuously since that time. In 1891 valuable ore was discovered in the Colorada, which was shipped to Pueblo, Colorado.

Some time in 1894 development work was



GRAND CENTRAL, MINING COMPANY

NEW 30-STAMP MILL

OTTO

OLD GRAND CRNTRAL MILL NEW SHAFT

SHAPT NOW

begun on the Creston and a new shaft has been sunk to a depth of 1150 feet. The hoisting works at this mine were equipped with a capacity of hoisting ore 2,500 feet, and a new tramway has been erected between the Creston mine and the Colorada mill, which has a capacity of 500 tons in twenty-four hours, the ore being transferred about three-fourths of a mile.

Connected with this company is a large roasting and cyanide plant with a capacity of 100 tons dally for treating the Creston tailings, and the cyanide plant for treating tailings of the Colorada mine.

A new shaft is now being sunk on the Colorada mine to connect with the old workings, and there is sufficient ore in the mines to rush the mill for some time to come. Sixty cords of wood are consumed daily, in making steam for motive power and to run the stamp mill with a capacity of 160 tons per day.

In conclusion we might state that the ore deposits found in this district are certainly among the richest and most productive of any in the state and perhaps in the Republic of Mexico.

GREAT COPPER REFINERY.*

The Anaconda Company's great refinery at Anaconda lies immediately below the upper works, with perhaps a short quarter of a mile between. Here it is that the copper product is subjected to the last process necessary to fit it for the market. When it leaves the refinery it is practically pure, and is the electrolytic copper of commerce.

That the reader may get the entire treatment in a general way, it may be stated that the ore is received at the works, the first step is to concentrate it by crushing and working off the poorer parts so as to reduce the quantity and raise the grade. Then these concentrates are sent to the smelter, where they are first roasted, in order to get rid of a portion of the sulphur they contain, and then melted in the matte furnaces where portions of the other impurities are worked off in slag, the product being a matte containing 50 per cent: copper.

This matte is sent to the converter, where

This matte is sent to the converter, where it is melted again mainly by a combustion of the sulphur it contains and the oxygen of the

*From "Anaconda Standard."

atmosphere. The iron and other metallic impur-ities are first drawn off in slag and then a strong current of air is turned on and the sulphur blown away in fumes. The residue is metallic copper, perhaps 98 per cent fine. This is run into large plates called anodes and sent to the refinery.

The refining is done through the agency of sulphuric a ci d a n d electricity. The establishment is provided with 1,400 refining tanks. These are filled with a solution

of sulphuric acid. From crossbars thin strips of copper are hung. These are called cathodes, because they act as the negative pole of the current. In the same tank, alternating with the cathodes, are hung the anode or positive plates from the converter, the distance between them being but a few inches-about six. A current of electricity is turned on passing first through the anodes and thence through the solution to the cathodes. The sulphuric acid unites with the copper of the anodes. forming a sulphate of copper in solution; then the current of electricity carries the copper over to the cathode strips, where it is re de posited practically pure, the gold, silver and anything else contained, being precipitated to the bottom of the tanks and the values separately saved.

This plant is the largest of the kind in the world. It is divided into two parts known as the old and the new. The old part contains 600 tanks and the new portion 800. In the old part the machinery is more primitively

than that of the new. When a tank load is ready to come out it is hoisted, all the plates at once by two men with a hand tackle. The anode plates immersed in a single tank weigh from 6000 to 7000 pounds. In the refining process they are reduced to about 800 or 1000 fbs., about 5,500 lbs. upon an average having been carried over to the cathodes. This requires about

25 days.
The new portion, which is 250 feet by 300, is equipped with

three immense traveling cranes, two being each 80 feet in length and one 90 feet. These move the entire length of the building over the tanks carrying the anode plates to the tanks in which they are to be placed for refining, and taking out the refined cathodes when ready. The capacity of the refinery is about 125 tons of refined copper daily, and it is now being run nearly up to that figure. In the refinery proper there are about 100 men employed.

This great refinery has what may be justly termed the finest engine and boiler plant in the state of Montana. The engines grouped in one fine room are five in number. The largest is what is known as a Harris-Corliss. It is of 1,000 horse-power, with a combination fly and belt wheel 20 feet in diameter with a eight-foot face upon which the belting travels. As a rule this great engine runs steadily, but it is now temporarily stopped while a new and separate steam connection is being made. There are also two 900-horse-power triple expansion Union Iron Works engines and three Westinghouse engines, each of 450 horse-power, making a total of about 4,130 horse-power.

In the same great department are nine dynamos, of which seven are in regular use, with two held in reserve. It is estimated that the machinery in this single room has cost more than a quarter of a million dollars.

The boiler plant is on the same magnificent scale. It consists of ten sets of Heine water tube boilers and four sets of Elephant boilers from the Union Iron works of San Francisco, Cal. These range from 250 to 350 horse-power to the set, the total being in the neighborhood of 4,000 horse-power, making it also the greatest boiler plant in the state of Montana.

The four sets of Elephant boilers have a

The four sets of Elephant boilers have a separate iron stack for each set, but the ten Heines are all connected by flue with the great brick stack outside the building. This stack is about twenty feet square at the base, rising to a height of 130 feet from the ground, and brought to a circle at a height of about thirty feet from the ground. A new auxiliary eight-inch steam pipe connects the large engine direct with the boilers. These works are under the superintendency of F. Wilkinson.



LAS PRIETAS MILL, CRESTON COLORADA COMPANY



CRESTON HOIST AND ORE BINS, CRESTON-COLORADA COMPANY

MINERAL RESOURCES OF KANSAS."

BY PROP. BRASMUS HAWORTH

The year 1898 was an unusually prosperous year for almost all mining enterprises within the State. The output of zinc ore was the greatest in value ever known in the State. The output of lead ore fell far short of that of preceding years. But the continued value of the two was greater than that of any other year in the history of lead and zinc mining in Kansas. The zinc smelting business was unusually successful, due principally to the extended application of natural gas as a fuel in smelting; but the amount of spelter produced for 1898, great as it was, is much smaller than that which will probably be produced during 1899, as a number of smelting establishments began operations early in 1899.

During the year the two lead smelting furnaces at Galena were in successful operation more than half the time, so that we again have our Kansas lead ore principally smelted in Kansas territory. This is the first time that such has been accomplished for a long period of years, and is therefore exceedingly gratifying to all our public spirited citizens.

gratifying to all our public spirited citizens. The operations of the Argentine Smelting and Refining Company were very successful throughout the year, particularly in their gold refining department, where the business transacted exceeded five million dollars. There was considerable decrease in the amount of silver refined. The copper and zinc produced at the refinery were entirely changed into blue vitriol and white vitriol, instead of being marketed in the metallic form. In 1897 the lead at this factory was likewise largely changed into litharge, but in 1898 no litharge was manufactured.

There was great activity in the coal industry during 1898. The total output of Kansas mines aggregated 3,860,405 tons; over half a million tons in excess of the output of 1894, which year had the next heaviest production. The price of coal, however, was but little more than in previous years, aver-

*Prom Annual Bulletin of the University Geological Survey of Kanans.

aging for the entire state and for all kinds of coal a value at the mines of \$1.08½ per ton, giving a total value of considerably over \$4,000,000, which is larger than the aggregate value of any preceding year excepting 1894, when coal had an average value of \$1.35 per ton. An interesting feature of the coal mining, however, was that there has been a general decrease of production in all; localities outside of Cherokee and Crawford, Counties, with a correspondingly great increase in these two Counties.

The oil refinery at Neodesba consumed the total output of petroleum for the year. There is such a relation between the refining company and the Forest Oil Company (the principal producing company) that no more oil is produced than the refinery wishes to handle. The production was considerably greater than that of the preceding year, but probably not nearly so great as it could have been made had the refinery demanded more.

The production of natural gas a during the year was much greater than that of any preceding year, due principally to the large demand for it as fuel in zinc smelting. The zinc smelters use it without measuring the amount they consume, and it is therefore difficult to make a reliable estimate of the value of the gas thus produced. That consumed by the smelters was estimated upon the amount of spelter produced at the gas furnaces, by allowing three and one-half tons of coal slack to the ton of ore, and using the value for the slack as given in the coal mining district. There may be serious objections to this mode of estimating the value, but it is the best method known.

The output of salt reached over 1,800,000 barrels, which is considerably larger than that produced during the preceding year, the nearest approach to these figures being in 1892. The value of the salt is unprecedentedly low, averaging for the year twenty-seven cents per barrel, making an aggregate value of nearly half a million dollars. To this sum the cooperage should be added, to express the correct idea of the magnitude of the salt industry. With a cooperage of twenty-five cents per barrel, the salt industry reached a

total of nearly a million dollars. It is a curious fact that the value of the salt in the barrel was but two cents greater than the value of the barrel.

The gypsum and gypsum-cement industry was not as active during the year 1898 as in preceding years, neither was the value per ton as great. The Acme Cement Company has withdrawn from the State. Other plants were in general less active than in preceding years. The new mills at Mulvane, now in successful operation, were not completed until about the first of January, 1899, so that their output does not affect the returns for 1898.

The hydraulic cement industry is still confined entirely to Fort Scott, where the two factories did a business about the same as in 1897, producing 160,000 barrels, with an average value of thirty-eight cents per barrel.

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It is difficult, almost impossible, to gather reliable figures on the stone industry of the State. The large stone companies respond very promptly in general to letters of inquiry regarding their output. But there are so many small quarries here and there over the state, the locations of which are not known to the writer, quarries which individually are of little importance, but which collectively amount to a great deal, that the total sum of the stone industry as given is, after all, a mere estimate. The writer would esteem it a great favor if every quarryman in the State, who may chance to read this article, would send him his name and address, so that a correct directory of the stone quarries of the State may be compiled.

The year just past has been a prosperous one for the manufacturers of the various kinds of clay goods, particularly for the brick factories. The total product reached an aggregate value of nearly \$400,000, which is far above that of any other year. The greatest increase was in that of vitrified brick, which are now used extensively in street paving, the second greatest increase being in common building brick. With the increased demand for various kinds of building material already manifested for the year 1899, one may confidently expect that the brick industry in a short time will reach a magnitude very grati-

fying to all our citizens.

TABLE SHOWING VALUE OF EACH OF THE PRODUCTS OF KANSAS FOR 1898
AND SINCE INDUSTRY BEGAN.

PRODUCTS	VALUES FOR 1898	TOTALS BY DIVISIONS	FRODUCTION
Non-Metallic Products,			
Coal	11 201 02 1		\$ 55,085,641,41
Salt	489,454 23		4,778,655.17
Clay Goods	ვეი, 6 ვი ი ი		1,820,934.00
Gypsum	129,652 00		1,810,059 00
Stone { Limestone	180,000.00		3,087,226.00
{ Sandstone	25,000.00		675.972 00
Natural Gas	188,846.00		792,246.00
Oil Refined	176,000.00		358,504.93
Hydraulic Cement	60,800.00		661,466.00
Lime, (estimated)	165,000.00		1,315,000.00
Sand, (estimated)	50,000.00		400,000,00
Metallic Products.		\$ 5,948 541.69	
Zinc Ore, \$1,994,230, yielding met-			
allie Zine	3,622,768 68)
Lead Ore, \$352,798.45, yielding	J		\$ 39,286,227.52
metallic lead	463 464 84) 5 521-11-11-11-1
· ·	1.0.4.4.4	4,286,227.52	
		\$ 10,226,669.21	
Smelting Products.		10,220,009.21	
Zinc Smelting	3,648.715 57		\$ 29,668,342.03
Lead Smelting	170,227.01		170,227.01
Argentine Smelter			127,401,938 67
Total Output		\$ 16,739.803 55	
TOTALS		\$ 26,966.472.76	
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ELECTRIC TRANSMISSION AND ELEC-TRIC DRILLS FOR MINES,*

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When we see that in the neighborhood of a number of our mines the fuel supply for motive power is, or is nearing to become, a question of grave concern, and that this is heightened through the burning off of valuable timber by careless and unwise men, or through accidental igniting of the dry brush by the sparks of the locomotives, or even through lightning in the course of thunderstorms, then we are very vividly reminded to look for another medium that can drive the apparatus in our mines. Now, what can impress itself more quickly on us than the numerous falls of our creeks and rivers, whose roaring and thundering have become to many of us, who roved around this country so often, a familiar music, and which has lulled us many a bright night into the arms of Morpheus. How often has that little dream god shown us these wild rushing waters harnessed into useful occupations, and how long will it be ere these dreams materialize and we shall

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have every one of these at present useless spending powers utilized for the benefit of one or another of our industries? But before I proceed with this subject I take this opportunity of warning our people of this vaudalic destruction of the forest by fire, or we shall experience the consequences, that in a few years most of the little creeks and rivers, and with them the lakes, large and small, will dry up, and we will be deprived of the present very convenient way of travel, and the cheap medium for power. One who has known this country for years has seen with regret the diminishin, and disappearing of many of our watercourses. Even Lake Superior is lower by nearly twenty-four inches since I first knew it, and this is principally caused by the burning off of the forest.

I mentioned above that we have numerous falls in our country from which we could de-rive motive power, and I do not exaggerate when I say that I know of nearly a hundred in the districts of Rainy River and Thunder Bay, some of considerable size and beauty. Many of them are right in our gold mining region, others in close proximity, and others again further off, but many so conveniently situated that they would not cause a great outlay of capital in transmitting the electricity profitably to the mines. We all know that distance is nowadays no great obstacle since improved machines and a better insulation are at our disposal. Even as early as 1891, at the time of the Frankfort electric exhibition, the first long-distance power transmission of 110 miles in length proved a success, for the loss was only 26 per cent, although different pressures from 65 to 28,000 volts were tried; and now we talk of distances of 500 miles and losses of only to to 15 per cent. Distance has to be considered only, then, when the consumption of power in a mine is small and is within easy reach of cheap communication. The question will arise then if it would not be more economical and convenient to use a different motive power, produced either with gasoline, or better yet, refined or crude petroleum, for instance with a Diesel motor.

The advantages of long-distance transmissions are specially noticeable when high voltages are transmitted for large industrial centers, or for distribution of power among a greater number of mines, situated in close proximity, or for a mine far off from the sources of fuel. But as I said above, it is very questionable if it will be always advantageous for a single mine to go to the great expense of establishing water power and transmitting it from afar to the workings. This has to be determined in every instance by closely figuring all the different conditions. We have, therefore, to consider transmission for greater distances, and such for electricity generated at the time.

Now let us suppose, for instance, that we needed a large amount of horsepower for different machines, and wish to sell our surplus power to others, and know we can get this power from a rather distant waterfall. We take also for granted that utilization of this fall and the establishing of the primary motor—here the turbine or any other water wheel—causes no difficulty whatever; therefore the next thing to be taken into account would be the dynamo, that is, has it to be a direct current or an alternating current machine? Now we know we need a greater number of horsepower, the distance is not inconsiderable, and we wish the current to do different work. In this case the only acceptable machine for us would be the alternating dynamo, because the

direct current machine has a himted transmission of only about 2,000 volts, and this current cannot be divided in the manner we wish. This is different with the polyphase current, which can easily be transformed into direct current of any strength which we might desire, or changed into as many motors as its pressure will permit. I come now to the second question—the production of electricity by some other medium than water and directly at the mine. The building of dams, the laying of pipes, and the erecting of a power-house with all its machinery and other ustallations near a waterfall for the transmis sion of electricity over a long, costly wire, is rather an expensive thing, and not every owner is in the fortunate position to indulge in such expensive enterprises. We conclude. therefore, to buy a gas or petroleum motor. which offers the most convenient and economic way to solve that problem. Also in this case, the dynamo is a polyphase current machine, is coupled directly to the primary motor, and the generated electricity trans mitted to the transformer and thence to the electric motors driving the various machines

This mode of generating electricity will prove in many instances more advantageous and economic than the first system, for what we spend more in petroleum to run the motor we save again in wages for attending to the different machines and line of wire, and also on interest of capital expended, and not less so on loss of time in repairing, in telephoning from the mine to the power house at the falls, and I have a right to mention it, a saving of power in the shorter transmission. These are considerations of much importance, which will. I have no doubt, decide in many instances the choice between the two systems of primary power, especially in places where railroad or water communications are near at hand and the freights reasonable.

A mine which is in the fortunate position of having electricity as motive power should make use of its advantage and drive with electric motors every one of its machines or works. The great convenience which accrues out of such an installation is obvious when we consider the difficulty which we experience often in transmitting the power of the steam boilers and engines, be it steam, air or rope transmission, to our various mine workings. I might mention, however, that machines which need more than 50 horse power would be better driven by a generator of their own, because the switching in and out of large motors would cause inconvenient differences of pressure in the main line, and affect the other motors to some extent. What advantage it is, but especially in large works, to disconnect or switch out any ma chine or apparatus at any moment without being obliged to shift belts over loose or friction pulleys, nor being able to stop the humming or buzzing noise of the overhead shafting with its tangle of belts, which are a constant menace to everyone's dear existence, not to speak of the great convenience to convey the power with ease from place to place and from any machine above or below ground to another l

Now, I wish to direct your attention to one of these machines which has, strange to say, found in this country very little or no attention, although it deserves it very fully. It is this, an electric drill of a very ingenious but simple construction and of great efficiency. The reason that we have heard and read but little of it in this country, and even in the States, is that we are too indifferent in acquainting ourselves with what other au-

tions do in the various industries, and this is especially the case in the mining industry, We patronize in many cases the home industry too much to the disadvantage of our miners and mines. To some extent it might also be attributed to the prejudices which seem to exist against electric drills on account of the poor success which the so-called solenoid machines had. These machines were con-structed after Werner Von Siemens' so called electric hammer principle, but soon abandoned by the latter. The principal faults of these machines were their inefficiency and weak return pull of the bit, although the consumption of energy was large, too large compared with the newer drills of Siemens & Halske. But even that earlier machine is surpassed in waste of power by the air drills so much in vogue at the present time. These earlier machines had the solenoids-the motor -in the drill itself, which was a great disadvantage, considering the shocks which they receive, with every stroke of the piston; besides, it soon became hot, and lost on account of this a large amount of energy, that is, efficiency. Different is it with the newer percussion drill of Siemens & Halske. motor is here separated from the drill, and is connected with it by a flexible shaft of about 8 ft. long. This arrangement enabled the inventors to construct a more compact solid machine, but at the same time a more simple mechanism. The axis of the piston could be placed near the one with which it is fastened to the upright or tripod, therefore a more rigid position was secured, and a shaking when in operation was avoided. But to give the drill a still more steady working a fly-wheel was fastened on the crank shaft of the machine whose inertia would hinder the power-transmitting mechanism, especially the teeth of the cog-wheels, from clattering upon each other. Another good arrangement is connected with the machine—the piston rod for the drill steel is hollow throughout, therefore it is not necessary to change the position of the machine when a new bit has to be inserted. It can be done from the hind end by releasing the key with which it is fastened in its place. Further, the feed of the steel is on these machines, either by hand or automatic, but always self-regulating ac-cording to the hardness of the material to be drilled. A jamming of the bit in the bole, which is with most percussion drills a very common occurrence, happens very rarely, for the return pull of the piston is so strong that on account of this and the powerful concussion the columns or stretcher bars had to be constructed especially strong, and instead of the common tripod, a quadripod, if you will permit me to give the four-legged stand that name, had to be provided for this percussion

In regard to the consumption of power, this machine excels in economy every other percussion drill so far invented or in the market. A drill working with full capacity will use from 0.8 to 13 kilowatts, or six drills in operation will need tea horse power of a steam or water engine, if the length of the transmission of power is not too great, and 12 horse power if it is great. It will drill a hole in the hardest rock from 1½ to 1½ ins. wide and from 2 ins. to 12 ins. deep in one minute; for instance, in very hard granite 3 ins. to 4 ins. deep per minute. There is not one percussion cap, steam or air driven, which could show such results combined with such economy. To make a comparison, only the largest size of air drill might be able to drill a hole of the same depth and in the same time

above mentioned, but would need six to eight times the power of one of the smaller electric drills. The vertical depth drilled with this machine is 6½ feet, and the depth bored without changing bits is 16 ins., with about 420 strokes per minute. The weight of the machine is about 240 pounds, and to raise and lower it on the stretcher bars with case a

small block and tackle is used.

Besides the percussion drill the firm of Stemens & Halske manufacture also a "rotary drill." This machine, which is used for boring in rocks and fossils of a softer nature, is of simpler construction and lighter weight than the former. No fly-wheel is necessary for this drill, because the drill barrel has only to follow the rotation of the flexible shaft and the forward feed of the inner mechanism, which is automatic and self-regulating according to the hardness of the metal to be drilled. The consumption of energy is with this machine as with the former, about 806 watts= to 1 hp., and will bore in rock salt a hole 9.1 ins. wide by 12 to 16 ins. deep, or in salt, clay, gypsum or oblitic fron ore, etc., 8 to 10 ins. per minute. With two bit changes the machine can bore a hole over 6 ft. weight is not more than 70 lbs., and breakage or parts showing wear or tear can be easily and quickly replaced by new ones. The construction of the stretcher bar or column can be said to be a very handy apparatus.

I have to say now a few words about the flexible shaft which connects the drill with the motor. This shaft consists of two parts; the outer protecting flexible tube is made of a steel wire spiral and surrounded with leather; while the inner, the real power-transmitting part, is a very pliable apparatus made of a number of right and left wound conaxial steel wire spirals, provided on both ends with massive steel pins and couplings, with which they rest smoothly against the outer protecting tube, and connect firmly with the motor and machine. The whole shaft is very solidly made, so that a rough handling in the workings will not injure it

very easily.

Now, when we consider with what ease all the different parts connected with these drills can be carried from place to place, and compare it with the work that is necessary and the difficulty which exists in carrying the air or steam along in a mine, we understand readily the saving of time, and also the saving of expenses, especially when we compare the much greater efficiency of these electric drills with those of steam or air.

CORRESPONDENCE

ARIZONA.

(From our Special Correspondent.)

CHLORIDE, ARIZ., Nov. 24, '99

At last, after months of toilsome developments, the Midnight Mine is mentioned among the big paying and producing mines of the district and Mohave County. The present developments were begun last April, under a bond and lease, a contract for the sinking of a 200-foot shaft, and the driving of two drifts north and south for 100 feet each.

Several streaks of very rich gold quartz were passed through in sinking the shaft, but it was not until the north drift was driven half its distance that the present large and rich ore body was cut. The ore carries both gold and silver, the former predominating.

Development work on the Midnight and its present results have been watched with much eagerness by the local public, as it was known that it would make the fifth large paying mine in the camp, and very materially add to the existing force of miners.

The work of getting the new roo ton concentrator in place at the Merrimac Mine is progressing nicely, and the dump is well stocked with ore awaiting its completion. Work in the drifts, from the 400 foot level of the main shaft is being done with day and night forces, and the ore bodies continue full and well rounded out. In one drift from the 400 level, the ore measures eight feet in thickness, and the drift is being driven through it without any sign of waste on any side. The two other drifts are also in good bodies of high grade ore, but not nearly so large as the first. The mine and new mill are now employing sixty-five men.

The Tennessee Mine is now in the largest

The Tennessee Mine is now in the largest and richest body of ore it has ever been the good fortune of that great property to be in. Streaks and nuggets of pure silver cross and recross the whole body of twelve foot ore, and much of it will mill many thousand ounces to the ton. Additional facilities have recently been made for the reduction of ore, but yet the present capacity for concentrating is almost wholly inadequate to the supply. Water now, and for sometime past, has been plentiful, and the mill has been kept going night and day for about ten weeks, something like 200 tons of ore being put

through every twenty-four hours.

The new miners' exchange building here has put its walls up and the roofing mostly on. The building is 36x50 feet in size, and one story high and composed of adobes. The shelving and counters for the retaining of ores will be quite elaborate, and will show off the rich specimens of ore they will contain to great advantage. It is expected to keep on exhibition ores from all parts of the county; no camp, no matter how small, but is expected to contribute its quota of specimens of gold, silver and copper. Maj. Mesch has been succeeded by Mr. A. M. MacDuffee as secretary of the exchange and display of ores, who will always be found at his post, ready and willing to give visitors a cordial reception, and impart the information they desire about the mines and ores of Mohave County.

CALIFORNIA.

The Manvel Gold Fields.

(Prom Our Special Correspondent.)

MANVEL, Cal., Nov. 23, 1899.

EDITOR JOURNAL:—In continuation of my investigations, as published in the JOURNAL of October 1, 1899, I have obtained additional

facts as follows:

This new gold-producing field lies on the Eastern slopes of the New York Peak of the Providence Mountains. This peak is about five miles distant from Mauvel Station on the California Eastern Railroad. The field is therefore about five miles square, so far as known yet, but these same ores, it is believed, will yet be found further North and South. At present the prospecting is confined to the area named. This makes the old New York mines the South, and Vanderbilt the North limits of prospecting. In this field, along the base of the highest mountains, occurs the quartz, feldspars, veins, bulges or blowouts, in which is the quartz, with the base ores of gold, mostly, as sulpho-tellurides, and in the

accompanying feldspars the gold is combined. with the metals aluminum and iron double base, and does not pan. The whole region is not a panning or horning proposition, and this accounts for its being passed over by prospectors and locators heretofore. The lower park or flat field of old white or grey granite, in which are an abundance of small black hornblende crystals, has been by volcapic action ripped and torn very much, generally East to West or Southeast to Northwest, or vice versa. In these rents occurs the gold orea, as intrusive or volcanic veins. with many bulging or strong chutes of ore coming through to the surface, exposing much ore. Opening of these mines discloses ore chutes, a quartz body in long chutes filled with sulpho telluride, pyrites and occasionally some free gold. These rich quartz These rich quartz chutes blend away in either direction into the quartz feldspar that fills most of the veins. Many of these veins are three-quarters of a mile long. And there are many of the veins that put off laterals that connect with the side or parallel veins. In this respect I see that there are indications that deep work in the granite field and drifting is hable to cut many veins that do not or have not come through to the surface. That a vast field, new, of gold ore has been discovered is true It is not all located as yet, but there have been located many claims, and considerable exploration work has been done in the past two months, and quite a number of mill test samples were made, these weighing from five to thirty pounds. The values shown thereby is given below. (No tin reported.)

Old Shoes quartz high...\$47 64 trace \$47.64 average 29 30 .30 29 60 low... 12.40 \$0.12 12.52 full Moon 4.40 .15 4.55 Polka Dot... 5 52 trace 5.52 Homeward Bound 21.70 \$1.42 23 12

Near the summit of the North end of New York Peak is found the Homeward Bound claim and group of locations. Here I found the ores as sulphides assays having shown iron, lead, silver, copper, and greatest values in gold. On the Homeward Bound claim a tunnel has been recently run in on ore, 300 feet long There is a crosscut all in ore of 20 feet. The tunnel has gained a depth of about 200 feet, the last 60 feet being in solid ore. In the face of the drift six feet of ore is showing, and the remainder of the 20 feet is a low grade ore body. A strip of porphyry lies with the ore. This claim is located on a con tact of marbleized calcium, or lime, and granite. Six hundred feet depth will be obtained by this tunnel, and on the West slope of the mountain one can be run in that will give 1000 feet depth. There are about fifty tons of assorted ore on the dump, and a dump full of low grade ore. The mine is making about 150 gallons of water per hour. Fve men are employed. There is an abundance of pine timber for the mine. The road is one-half mile away and will be brought to within 200 yards of the mine. On examination of the assays of this mine's ore, I find all shows values; about \$5 per ton is low; the average gold value is \$10 per ton; the high values were gold two oz., silver fourteen oz, lead five per cent.

About Southwest of the Homeward Bound Mines lie the Mineral King and Queen Mines, new discoveries. A crew of men are at work on a fine grade of ore showing copper, gold and silver, with a ledge about twenty five feet in width, maybe more. These men are driv-

ing a tunnel on ore into the mountain, and for every foot driven they gain about 1 ½ feet. There is plenty of water and wood. The road is one mile below them yet, but can and will be built to the mines.

The Sherman mine, a carbonate of lead rich in silver, is now being worked. The mine is located in the North field, North of

the Keystone Canyon.

This Keystone Canyon drains the eastern slope of the abrupt and high New York Peak. The canyon ceases below the Sherman Mine, and spreads out into a park of several thous and acres of old grey or white granite, full of veins of quartz and feldspar ores. The rim of this park is nearly circular open on the Southeast side, through which the great stone drifts and flood waters find their way to the plains below, surface verdure wasted away. The really new gold field, as strictly a gold ore, is within the rim of this park. It should be called New York Park, and the pass north of it, Manvel Pass, on the south side of it, over the mountain is the Canyon of New York and the old New York Mines. These properties as groups are reopened with a force of ten men, taking out and shipping ore, showing gold, silver, lead and some copper. It is high grade, from \$80 to \$180 per ton reported. Here is water, and it is five miles west of south of Manvel, and probably two miles to the Homeward Bound Mines, that lie to the Northwest on the Peak.

I find in here a vast field not exploited, prospected or opened, and mineral indica-tions, float, everywhere I go, indices of gold ore. In this New York Park, is that ore which falls under an exclusive gold ore. The veins run into and over the erupted rim of the park, and, on examination, I find this erupted rim is volcanic rocks, which here folded upwards, and some tilted over, great depths or thickness of these fields of grey or white granite, with black hornblende crystals. These folds or foldings, cracked and filled thousands of rents or fissures from below. This infilling matter all shows and gives nearly a clear gold button every assay. It is strictly a gold field and ore, these ores, some free and mostly a sulpho-telluride. The center of this park is nearly level, with gradual slope to the East and Southeast, and But the rims have got the right matrix and the gold in them. I predict here, as at Cripple Creek, that, on exploration and depth, tellurides and chloritic minerals will be encountered, very rich in gold. These evidences are already found in the workings of the Old Shoes Mine. About six tons of these gold ores are on the dump when the assessment exploitation was made, a ten-foot shaft, a rim of at least thirty-six inches of quartz, filled with sulpho-tellurides. This ore looks like it had in it the metal Tin, so do many of these quartz feldspar mines. I understand assays are being now made to deter-

mine the tin and platinum values.

The New York Park gold field only wants exploration and some deep shafts, as at Cripple Creek, to make it a hummer as to shipments to the smelters and leaching plants.

Horners and panners keep away from this new gold field. The ores will not pan or horn at all. But every time that the ores are subjected to the fire assay, made by competent assayers, shows a big button of nearly pure gold, just as it did at Cripple Creek.

In the centres of these ores, I have found groups of infinitesmal balls of gold, just as the gold looks and acts on cupel when tellurium was in the ore when assayed. It is but three miles to the railroad station, and freights to the smelters on ore are very reasonable, and the grade of ore will pay to mine, ship and smelt. The California and Eastern Railroad Company has a survey for railroad extension to the field and on up to the New York Mines at 4½ per cent grade, 4 from Manyel. Six miles of road-bed to cost about \$3,000 per mile.

The thing to do is to get funds, and come with an outfit to sink at least 200 feet, drift and crosscut, then mine and ship ore. Come prepared so to do, or stay away, if you want to make money at mining of ore. Infillers or miners can make some money, of course.

GILES OTIS PRARCE, M. E.

UTAH.

SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, Nov. 25, 1899. EDITOR JOURNAL:-Chloride Point did considerable business this week at reduced figures. It should be a good investment at present prices, as energetic prospecting for

ore is going on.

Daly was somewhat stronger near the close of the week. Daly West dropped off a little for no particular reason. Dalton & Lark was more active this week and should sell at better figures before long, as there has been some good ore uncovered in the lower levels. Daisy was much lower this week, although a great deal of stock changed hands. The decline was on the report of an assessment being levied to pay off the indebtedness, which was not confirmed up to the present writing. Dexter has done considerable business this week at higher figures. Good reports have been received from the mine.

Four Aces was weak, selling below to cents. Geyser-Marion inactive. Grand Central was somewhat lower with very little business done. It is reported that they will pass their December dividend. Galena was dull. Horn Silver is improving. Ingot was very active this week at lower figures. Nothing of importance heard from the mine.

Joe Bowers did some business this week at former prices. Stock seems to be held very strongly. Joe Bowers Extension—considerable stock changed hands at lower figures. All the old officers were re-elected at the recent stockholders' meeting. Disagreement seems to have been practically settled and energetic work is expected from now on.

Le Reine is looking much better. recent strike of copper and silver ore has widened out, and the character of ore has improved greatly. Prices are the same, but no stock is being offered. Lower Mammoth was a little stronger in the fore part of the week, but declined a little towards the close. There have been no new developments reported this week.

Mammoth was somewhat dull and sold lower. Mercur was quiet. There is very little stock coming out. Northern Light did some business at lower figures. Large ship-ments expected have not yet arrived. Reported strike of the past month has not

been verified. Ontario was quiet.

Overland's Boston stockholders have been here the last week with reference to the increasing of the plant. They expect to be able to handle 500 tous per day after the enlargement of the same. Petro did some business at little better figures. Dividends have been discontinued until the opening up of the roads in the spring.

Swansea was somewhat stronger. South

Swansea was quite active during the week They made a shipment of several cars of high grade ore. Sacramento very active and much stronger. There have been a good many Eastern orders in for the stock of late. Star Consolidated did some business at lower fig ures. Silver King is quiet. Sunbeam was much stronger and did considerable business this week.

Tetro is inactive. Yankee Consolidated did considerable business during the week, but closed weaker. Valeo stronger. Reports from the mines are that the ore extracted is higher grade and better prices expected.
P. J. Conway

Miscellaneous Mining News.

ALASKA,

A new district is being opened at Cape York, 120 miles from Cape Nome. ported only second in importance to the latter on the numerous creeks flowing into the ocean, and with the further advantage of a good harbor and safe anchorage. There are 200 miners in the camp at present, all well housed and provisioned for a year. They anticipate being able to commence work by the middle of May or the first of June.

ARIZONA.

The Morenci Copper Company has commenced operations on its property a short distance from Morenci, says the Clifton Copper Era. The timber for the shaft, which is 125 feet deep, was ordered some time ago, and as soon as it arrives work will be commenced at once to timber. The property of the Morenci Copper Company embraces four claims, among them being the Micawber Mine, which has now a large amount of ore on the dumps, and is one of the most valuable properties in this district. The average of 20 samples taken from the surface to the bottom of the shaft gave a value of \$14.50 gold, 14 ounces silver and 6 per cent copper per ton. Righ teen tons shipped to the Silver City Reduction Works gave a value of \$12 gold, 11 ounces silver and 9½ per cent copper per ton. Two average samples taken from the dumps gave respectively \$8 gold, six ounces silver and 5 per cent copper, and \$16 gold, three ounces silver and 2 per cent copper per ton. The vein has been crosscut at the depth of 50 feet. A sample taken from the entire width assayed \$14.75 gold, 21/2 ounces silver and 21/4 per cent copper per ton.

CALIFORNIA.

AMADOR COUNTY.

The grading of the sixty-stamp mill at the Oneida mine near Jackson is practically completed, and barring unlooked for delays, the mill will be finished by July next. Enough

mill will be finished by July next. Enough gold-bearing rock is already on the dump to keep the mill going for at least thirty days.

The new shaft is down 2012 feet, and may be put down seventy feet deeper by the time the mill is ready for operation. Should there be any unusual delay in the construction of the mill the shaft may be sunk two or three levels deeper. The old shaft is being cleaned out and repaired, 360 feet of which is already in good condition. Last week a 6500-pound

pump was placed in the old shaft, and is now in operation. Everything that is being done in and about this extensive plant is first-class in every particular.

BUTTE COUNTY.

The Lost Treasure Mme, near Inskip, was the scene of a big clean-up a short time ago. This is the pocket ledge about 19 inches wide and is owned by Mr. A. D. Larzelere. In one day early in the present month Mr. Larzelere panned out about \$500 besides securing many rich specimens of quartz, showing free gold to the estimated value of \$50.

CALAVERAS COUNTY.

The Morgan Mine, four miles south of Angels Camp on Carson Hill, has been one of the richest mines in California, and is believed to be so still, but it has been closed by litigation since 1850. The chief contestants are William Irvine and the estate of the late Senator James G. Fair. An idea of the magnitude of this legal battle may be gained by the fact that Mr. Irvine had at one time no less than 45 suits pending for this property. There is no quartz mine in the State that has yielded so much gold at about 100 feet. Up to the time of the discovery of this mine the pioneers had no knowledge of gold in quartz, and had no idea of quartz mining. they saw the immense quantities of gold taken from the quartz they were astounded. One piece of native gold was taken out weighing \$44,000, and within 20 feet of that spot \$4,000,000 was taken out.

EL DORADO COUNTY

Attorney J. P. Snyder, acting for the creditors of the Greek Mine Company, brought an action against that Company and others to foreclose a mortgage of \$4000 given by the corporation to John J. Snyder, now deceased, in trust for the creditors of the Company and as security for the payment of their claims. The properties covered by the mortgage are the various mines and other property owned by said Company, near El Dorado in El Dorado County. The amount of claim aggregate about \$4000.

INYO COUNTY.

News from Inyo County is that Los Angeles parties, represented by H. H. Douglas, have secured a bond on the Reward Mine and Mill, situated about ten miles Southwest of Independence, and one mile from the Carson and Colorado Railway. There are about 10,000 tons of tailings at the mines, which are now being worked with satisfactory results.

KERN COUNTY.

The Kinyon milt near Randsburg has at last been started again. They have recently made a contract with the water company which runs until March next, at one-fifth of a cent per gallon.

The deal on the Big Butte near Randsburg is off, Captain Collins declining to take the property. It is understood that the uncertainty in regard to water had much to do with the failure of the transaction.

It is reported that a Colorado company has purchased several claims over near the coal mines paying \$8000 cash for them. The claims are on the south slope of Black mountain and about four miles west of the coal mines, near which the town of Garlock was formerly situated. Mr. M. L. Wicks of Los Angeles engineered the deal.

LOS ANGIELES COUNTY.

A new Company, termed the Little Georgia Mining Company, has been incorporated in Los Angeles, and with Los Angeles capital. The purpose of the Company is to develop some mining claims in the northeastern portion of Los Angeles County and on the Colorado river, in San Bernardino County

MONO COUNTY.

The Arnot Par Value mines in Mono County have been turning out good ore and the little mill has been kept running day and night preparatory to closing down when winter gets a hold at its altitude, the Company not being prepared with comfortable quarters for a heavy winter. A large number of extensions have been taken up by Superintendent Glines, John Hays and Frank Page, Mr. Glines having a half interest in seven locations, and the others being about the same, the entire ledge being seemingly as good as the original locations, the Arnot and Par Value.

PLACER COUNTY

A car and shipment of iron for track has arrived at Blue Canyon for the Golden West quartz mine, where development work will soon commence. The mine is located on the North Fork of the American River, near Blue Canyon, and is the property of Reuben H. Lloyd of San Francisco. The mine has a total of about 700 feet of tunnels on the ledge. A new tunnel will be started 200 feet lower than the old tunnel and at a point 32 feet above high water mark. J. B. Knapp of Blue Canyon will superintend the development work.

The leasers of a portion of the Mayflower channel have just opened up a quantity of gravel that looks very promising. Superintendent George McAulay is getting things in readiness to work the old McCall pit, owned by the Mayflower Company, by the hydraulic process. A permit has been granted by the United States Debris Commission. The company has ten men engaged in the work of cleaning the ditch, repairing the reservoir and laying pipe. A contract to build a dam has been let to Kaiser & Ralston of Forest Hill.

RIVERSIDE COUNTY.

The Hillside Mine, situated Southwest of-Perris, promises to become a bonanza. O. E. Reynolds and R. S. Waller are the owners. The shaft is down 120 feet and some very rich ore has been struck. On the dump there are about thirty tons of gold-bearing ore, and as none has as yet been assayed, it is difficult to estimate the yield, although it is believed that it will run high. The owners have worked the mine for some time, and though nothing very extensive was found, still the men stuck to it, believing that something remunerative would be found to repay them for the time they had worked.

SAN BERNARDING COUNTY.

The Copper World property, about 35 miles from Blake, is proving to be a veritable bonauza, and the camp is growing. A carload of ore is being shipped regularly every three or four days, and the output will be increased as the mines are further developed.

SAN DIEGO COUNTY.

The Roberts gold mine at Escondido has been bonded to Capt. John Ried, from the East. The bond is for 60 days, at the end of which time Captain Ried agrees to pay \$9,000 for the property if the mine is satisfactory. The arrangement practically amounts to a sale. Captain Ried has begun sinking a shaft which will be 150 feet in depth. He is now down 35 feet and the ore is showing up well.

The Llewellyn Iron Works Co of Los Angeles secured the contract for the installment of the cyanide plant to be placed at the Golden Cross Mines at Hedges. The plant will have a capacity of 300 tons per day.

There has been some opposition to the erection of this plant, and it remains to be seen as to whether or not it will be a success when it is completed

Although there is an indebtedness of \$1,000,000 due the Golden Cross Mining Company from the Free Gold Mining Company from the Free Gold Mining Company, which is now the owner of the mines, the Golden Cross Company will be barred from taking any part in the pending lawsuits until the amount still due James Spiers and others shall have been paid. This amount is about \$50,000. The original indebtedness of the Free Gold Mining Company to James Spiers and others was about \$145,000, but more than \$300,000 has already been paid as a result of the litigation, the greater part going to the attorneys. A claim for \$275,000 attorneys' fees was recently filed in the United States Court in Los Angeles.

Work on the tailings at the Stonewall Mine, Cuvamaca, by the cyanide process is progressing vigorously. Outsiders believe that Straus & Shin, the owners of the plant, are netting at least \$100 a day. As the work has been going on for a year and will continue for another year, the profits of this enterprise will be considerable.

SHASTA COUNTY.

The sale of the Mammoth Mine near Kennet is virtually consummated. J. F. Coleman the bonder, asked by wire from Halifax, Nova Scotia, for terms by which a payment of \$50,000 could be made Jan. 1 and the remaining \$50,000 on April 1. The request was granted. The result was the virtual sale of the mine on the terms asked. The purchasers are Nova Scotian and English capitalists, headed by Walter C. Boak of Halifax. Mr. Boak is an East Indian merchant and ship owner. As soon as he confers with his London partners, steps will be taken towards the plan of operations on the property. The same people have a bond on the Balaklalla property, and also hold a bond on the Lowdon-Friday group. What Mr. Lowden's figures are does not concern the public, but A. J. Wallace, R. M. Saeltzer, Antone Jaegel and Joseph Kahny are to receive \$100,000 for the Mammoth in two payments to be concluded April 1. The Mammoth Mines are located West of Kennet and are quite often referred to as the Jackson group.

SIERRA COUNTY,

At the Magnolia mine, which is situated between Goodyear Bar and Forest City, there are eight men employed under the management of E. E. Brown. The tunnel which is being run to tap the channel is now in about 200 feet and the work of pushing the tunnel ahead is rapidly progressing.

COLORADO.

Leadville is certainly in for another boom, possibly the most important since the first great excitement. The successful outcome of the task of unwatering the downtown district, followed by the strike in the Bon Air and the Penrose mines, gives assurance of sufficient values yet remaining in that district to interest capital in that region. Besides the home company there are operating in the downtown district the Northern Mining Company, producing eighty tons daily of carbonates, the Newell shaft, which is developing; the Colorado, mining twenty five tons daily; the Midas, developing: the Orion, shipping twenty tons daily; the Weldon, sixty tons; the Nubian, developing: the Bohn, fifty tons.

Cripple Creek is a whirl of excitement

with new strikes, new deals and a great stock speculation. The ore output still swamps all reduction works. The Uncle Sam, a fraction of 2.17 acres, has been sold for \$67,500, and the Blanche Gold Mining Company, with a capital stock of \$1,500,000, will operate the

Ballard Mine on Breece hill in Lake County is making a success in the development of ore bodies carrying high values in gold. mine is shipping twenty to thirty tons per day of ore that runs from four to five ounces in gold and is sending over the dump large quantities of milling gold that will average half an ounce in gold.

IDAHO.

The Seven Devils country of Idaho is progressing with great rapidity.

The Boston and Seven Devils Copper Company is developing the Decorah, South Peacock and other mines. In the Decorah they are running a tunnel, which is now in about 250 feet, and they expect to tap the ledge any day. On the South Peacock they are sinking a double compartment shaft. This shaft is now down 150 feet, all the way through good ore, some of which assays 65 per cent in pure copper. This shaft sinking will be prosecuted during the winter, and it is expected the shaft will before Spring reach a depth of soo feet or more.

Other companies are doing satisfactory work on their copper properties

MICHIGAN.

The recent drop of 1½ cents a pound in the selling price of Lake copper means a lessening of the annual profits of the Calumet and Hecla Mine to the amount of about \$1,-350,000. The loss is not a serious one, for the Calumet and Hecla, even with its profits thus grieveously curtailed, will remain the profitable mine in the world, earning profits each year seven times as great as the total amount of money required in developing the mine. The best mines in the Lake District are making copper around seven to eight cents a pound, which, with copper selling at seventeen cents, means a profit of more than too per cent. Copper at fifteen cents is high, and there seems every reason to believe that that price will be obtained for several years to come. The high price of the past twelve months has been caused by demand and not through cornering of production. Pig iron, steel, tin and zinc are selling at approxi-mately twice the price of last year, and there is no talk of a corner in any of those metals. It is possible to greatly increase the tonnage

of pig iron of this country, as well as of most other fron-producing nations, on short notice. for there are many idle or abandoned mines which can be reopened in a few weeks, or months, but the finding of new sources of copper supply is a matter of years. The development of a copper mine from grass roots requires two to five years. The Arcadian, which had the advantage of a group of old which had the advantage of a group of old mines, already opened upon a small scale, succeeded in making copper in eighteen months after work was resumed, while the Baltic opened from grass roots, there being merely a ninety-foot exploration shaft on the property when the present management took hold two years ago, got to stamping in eighteen months, but it will require fully another year to get the Baltic into shape to feed these stamps, and it will require five or ten years thereafter for the mine to get its full growth.

MINNESOTA.

continuation in the drop in iron ore freights to \$1.25 has brought out a large tonnage of ore for movement this fall. One large mine that was not expected to start up at all has decided to ship 30,000 tons this season. It is Sauntry, an enormous property of the American Wire Trust. The indica-tions are that, if the weather remains fair a few days more, shipments of the year will crowd 16,500,000 gross tons, fully a million more than the expectations of the most san-

The Rockefeller Company has resumed work at its Hull and Rust Mines, Mesaba Range, and will employ 500 men there. Sellers, of the same group, has doubled its force of men for the winter months.

The Biwabic mines will work all winter.

Chandler, Vermillion range, has shipped 50,000 tons, and will close in one week. Minnesota, on the same range, has shipped 430,000 tons, and will get out 60,000 more. Pioneer, Zenith and Savoy have stopped ship-ments, and Zenith is closed down for the present.

The National Steel Company is at work at Chapin with the idea of increasing the already enormous output of this great mine another year.

MISSOURI.

The Jameso tract of 240 acres at Lehigh, seven miles west of Joplin, is sold to C. W. Rinehart, representing the Avondale Mining Company of Indiana, Ohio and Massa-chusetts men organized under the laws of Missouri with a capital of \$200,000. The purchase price was \$75,000. The land has been a great producer in the past and the Company will put in a big pumping plant and do extensive development work

The Cowan & Webb lots on the Boston-Springfield ground in Gordon Hollow, southwest of Joplin, were sold this week to C. E. Demarest of Kansas City for \$18,000.

The Club Mining Company, operating four lots on the ground of the Continental Zinc and Lead Company just west of Joplin, has sold its property to Edwin H. Moehr of Bos-

ton, for \$12,500.

The "Little Boss" Mine at Granby, owned by Superintendent John Kingston of the Granby Company, W. H. Sanders and Wm.

Pierce, was sold for \$7,500.

Four-fifths of the Oregon Mine at Granby was sold last week for \$2,400

MONTANA.

The outcome of the suit brought by Mac-Callum & Clautier against the Gold Coin Mining & Milling Company, to recover \$4. 400 for goods furnished the company, is that Deputy Sheriff J. J. Welsh left Anaconda, last week to attach the mines

This is the second action brought against the company recently, as it was only a week or so prior to this suit that the Butte Hard-ware Company sued to recover \$850, and at-

The Gold Coin Mining and Milling Com-pany's plant is situated about 16 miles west of Anaconda, and was worked during the summer of 1898 with a force of 60 men. consists of a free gold milling proposition, with a 30-stamp mill. The mine is well developed, and has been worked with a considerable force since resuming operations in June of this year.

The Montana Ore Purchasing Company has won its suit against the Butte & Boston for the condemnation of a lot of ground to be used by it as a tailing dump near the M. O. P. smelter and concentrator. Judge Clancy decided the case in the plaintiff's favor, having had it under advisement for several months The condemnation was strongly opposed by the Butte & Boston Company on several grounds, chiefly for the alleged reason that the company needed the ground itsself for the same purpose. The area of ground involved comprises about 60 acres.

NEVADA.

The Dexter Mine at Tuscarora, Nevada, is sending in good reports of the operations be ing carried on there. The ore body is showing up in better condition now than for some time past, and if matters continue to brighten as they have the past few weeks, we can expect the mine to take its place as a steady producer again soon.

Syl. Light and Tom Donahue are taking out very rich ore in Aurora, Esmeralda Co. George A. Green of Nine Mile has pur-chased the Silver Hill Mine in Aurora, Es-

meralda County.

The mines at Ruby Hill, Eureka County, are shipping large quantities of ore. About 60 men are employed. Lee Brothers & Farrington are building an

arrastra in Huntoon Valley, Esmeralda Co.

One of the largest reduction plants that is tributary to the Southern California field has been placed in successful operation at Searchlight, a few miles east of the Inyo County line, near Vanderbilt.

The properties bearing silver, gold and copper to a remarkable degree are controlled by a Boston syndicate. The mines have been opened to such an extent that the demands of reduction plant became apparent. This mill last week was completed and placed in

operation, daily consuming tons of ore. E. T. Colman, who is favorably known among Los Angeles mining men, is the manager of the property.

OREGON.

In a thirty hours' run with a No. 4 Bryan Mill \$12,000 was saved at the Golconda Mine at Sumpter. Eighty five per cent of the gold was saved on the plates. On the 200-toot level they have 12 feet of pay ore carrying free gold and tellurides. This mine has a double compartment shaft fitted with a steam hoist. Rich ore is found at a depth of 300 feet.

The pay streak in the Clipper mine, one of the Deer Lodge group at the head of Rock Creek West of Baker City, owned by the Twin Springs Mining Co, is 12 feet wide.

The Sherman group of mines on Elkhorn Mountain, near Baker City, is being developed. The crosscut is to be extended too feet further, which will open up two more new veius.

The Couger Cyanide plant at Granite, Oregon, will be placed in operation December 1st, and ore handling will probably begin then. The plant has a capacity of 250 tons per twenty-four hours.

The Searles Mines at Cornucopia have been bonded for \$700,000 to a Montreal syndicate. A large cash payment, \$40,000 has been made; that is, the owners receive \$25,000 and the sum of \$15,000 has been placed in bank to carry development forward during the entire term of the bond, or until the final payment is made on the contract in the spring of next year.

The Little Giant Mining Company of Liverpool, England, which purchased some dredging ground on Powder River near Sumpter, has purchased a dredge for \$50,000 and purposes working the gravel for the gold known to exist in the ground at this point.

SOUTH DAKOTA.

The Homestake Mining Company has commenced the erection of an electric cyanide plant near the stamp mills, in which it is proposed to treat the several thousand tons of tailings. Experiments during the past few months have shown that this process will take out all of the gold values in the tailings. The plant will employ about fifty men.

Ore is being hauled to the Golden Reward Smelter from one of the Hardin Mines, in the Two Bit District. This camp had a great boom two years ago, which brought five Chicago companies to the front. They started to sink five separate shafts and the Original Hardin reached quartzite and opened up a wide shoot of pyritic ore of fair grade. The companies all closed down a year ago. The Original Hardin, Chicago & Two Bit, and Hercules Companies will start up again this year for a steady run. It is believed that the Two Bit District is underlaid with rich shoots of ore on the quartzite level.

UTAH

"Colorado talent has again invaded Tintic and is now in possession of the Watts group of eight locations, for which it has bound itself to pay \$50,000 on or before the expiration of a year," says Mr. E. L. Giroux, representing the purchasing crowd in which is included some of the wealthiest mining men in Colorado. The group, which is owned by the Watts Mining Company, organized a short time ago and capitalized for \$50,000, is located about 2500 feet north of the Bullion-Beck and adjoins the Dagmar Company's ground. In the contract by which the deal is undertaken Mr. Giroux and his associates have agreed to steadily prosecute work upon the ground, and in a few days will begin driving the tunnel, which has now been put in a distance of 400 feet, again. The tunnel is already in nicely mineralized matter from

which assays are obtained, showing gold, silver and lead. Judge T. S. Watts is President.

The sale of all the properties of the Centennial-Eureka Mining Company at Eureka, to the United States Mining Company, a Boston corporation formed for the purpose of acquiring the properties is reported as consumated. The Centennial Eureka Company has to the present time distributed among its stockholders \$2,120,000 in dividends. The price paid for the properties is stated to be \$1.890,000 being at the rate of \$63 per share for the 30,000 shares.

During the past few days increased activity has been noticed in the local stock market and the outlook for heavy business this fall and winter is much brighter than it was two weeks ago.

Stateline, in Iron County, is seemingly prolific in important strikes of late, word being received from this rich gold and silver camp last week that in the workings of the Gold Hill ground a stringer of ore had been uncovered which was fairly bound together with wire and native silver. The find was made in a fine body of milling ore of encouraging values.

Very encouraging reports have been received of late from the Silver Shield mine in Upper Bingham, adjoining the holdings of the United States Mining Company. The new hoist which now ornaments this promising mine is now in operation, and three shifts are employed in ore extraction. A shipment of good ore from the Silver Shield is promised on the first of next month.

WASHINGTON.

The Bonanza Company, in the old Colville District, is now among the dividend payers of Washington, having declared a dividend payable on November 20, amounting to \$2,500.

In Palmer Mountain District, the Gold Hill group, consisting of forty claims, has been sold to Pittsburg people, for \$100,000 in development this winter.

Republic Mine, at Republic, Wash., pays another dividend, which makes \$530,000 paid in all. Plans are out for the new mill. Ore will be shipped to the smelter while the new mill is under construction. The haul will be thirty-five miles, formerly it was eighty miles.

The building for the new 100-ton mill at Mt. Lion is complete, awaiting installation of machinery, which is arriving daily.

The machinery recently ordered for the Princess Maud Mine, consisting of compressor plant is arriving. The roads being in bad shape has delayed its delivery.

The new shaft in the Gopher is down fifty feet, and they are sinking at the rate of three feet per day. It is proposed sinking until the 200-foot level is reached when they expect to cut the ledge.

In the Tom Thumb Mine, a good strike is recorded on the 150-foot level, the ore assaying \$100 a ton.

In Miller River District, surveys are being made for an electric line from the Cleopatra Mine to the Great Northern. This road will be constructed for the purpose of transporting the ores of the whole district. At present this district is made accessible by corduthe roads constructed by King County and roy mine owners, but the new electric line will make ten shipping mines where there was but one before.

FOREIGN MINING NEWS

BRITISH COLUMBIA.

Rossland shipments of ore for the year to date 150 324 tons. Last year for the same length of time, the shipments were under 120,000 tons. Le Roi has shipped nearly 80,000 tons this year; War Eagle, 50,000; Center Star, 10,000, and Iron Mask about 5,000 tons.

The Giant Ledge has been cross-cut on surface and is 17 feet wide. A compressor plant will be installed. The shaft will be an incline, following the ore on the hanging wall. The ore carries good values in gold, silver and copper. They expect to have 1,000 tons on the dump by January 18t ready for ship ment.

The Humming Bird, in Boundary, has been employing three shifts the past six weeks. The ore body is from thirty inches to six feet wide. Ready for shipment are 400 tons that will run \$20 per ton.

On the west coast of Vancouver Island, there is a good deal of development work under way on properties owned by Americans, particularly at the head of Bedwell Sound and along Bear River. A wharf has been constructed on salt water, and a trail large enough for wagon or tramway has been constructed from the wharf to the mines. The Canadian Pacific Navigation Company now makes this a regular port of call. It is said that the mines are sufficiently developed to permit the shipment of 100 tons monthly. When the tramway is installed, this can be easily quadrupled.

At Seachart, on Barclay Sound, the Wisconsin men owning the Searchart iron and copper mines are actively engaged in developing the properties, and they have developed the fact that the mines are more valuable for copper than for iron. They regard this as unfortunate by reason of having purchasers ready to take the property at a good round price, provided a large deposit of Bessemer iron was shown. This property was at one time held at \$1,000,000, and was under consideration by representatives of the Japanese Government at that price.

MEXICO.

Over twenty million dollars' worth of silver ores have been reduced to bullion in the Guadaloupe Reduction Works since their inauguration in 1883.

The San Fernando copper mines, Lower California, have been sold to Denver capitalists for \$175,000.

Not far from the Sierra Pintada placers, to which there was a great rush last summer, some Americans have discovered quartz claims rich in copper and gold. Of the 2,000 people who were in the camp last summer, only about one hundred now remain.

The Cedros Island gold mines are now controlled by Thomas R. Lombard, of New York City, who has completed the purchase of 5t per cent of the stock. He proposes to work the mines thoroughly. The cyanide process will be employed, and a plant crected for the treatment of the ore.

Manager L. A. Wright, of La Republica Mine in Agua Dulce Canyon, Lower California, reports that the property is showing better than the first assays promised. The company now developing La Republica is one of the richest on the peninsula. There is every indication that the property will become of

vast value. There are 55 men, white and Mexican, on the payroll. This number will be increased considerably within a month, when work begins on the new stamp mill. The present mill has ten stamps, but twenty more will be added, making La Republica mill the largest in the northern district of the peninsula. A telephone line is being put up to connect with Ensenada, 45 miles south-west. A cyanide plant, capable of handling the tailings as they accumulate will also be added. The main working shaft of the mine is now down 175 feet on an incline, and the tunnel is into the mountain or hillside 400

Latest Mining Decisions.

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The lessee of mining property is not the agent of the owner, but simply has a qualified interest in the property, which entitles him to the use of it for his benefit. Wilkins et al. vs Abell et al., 52 Pac. Rep, (Colo.)

The office of a proviso is to limit, rather than to enlarge; and the proviso in Section 8 of the Mechanics' Lien Act, as amended (Sess. Laws, 1895, p. 203) that the section shall not apply to owners of mines who lease the same in small blocks, does not enlarge the section by making it apply to all owners who do not so lease their lands. Wilkins et al. vs. Abell et al., 56 Pac. Rep. (Colo.) 612.

Where the locator of a lode claim lodges

his certificate with the proper officer for recoord within three months from discovery, and the officer notifies him that it will be recorded, he has done all that is required of him by Mills' Ann. St. § 3150 (Gen. St. 1883, § 2399), requiring that he shall record his claim in the office of the County Recorder by a location certificate within that time. Shepard

vs. Murphy, 58 Pac. Rep. (Colo.) 588.

The Mechanics' Lien Act, as amended (Sess. Laws 1895, p. 202, § 8), providing for a lien against mining property in favor of those who do work or furnish material for the development of mines, applies only where such work or material is furnished on a contract made with the owner of the property, or one acting by his authority as agent or contractor, and not where the contract was made by and for the benefit of a lessee. Wil-kins et al. vs. Abell et al., 58 Pac. Rep. (Colo.) 612.

A notice of lien for labor performed on certain mining claims and a smelter, filed under Section 1387. Rev. St. 1898, should properly state the amount of lien claimed upon each piece of property, upon which labor was per-formed, so far as the claimant is able to state it; yet whether the amount claimed in the lien is the just sum due must be left for the determination of the trial court, and where it appears that the labor was performed by the day on the several properties, and it is diffi-cult to segregate the amount of each piece, a notice of lien, complete in other respects, which states the full amount due as due on each property, under the circumstances shown, is properly admitted in evidence. Garner vs. Van Patten, 58 Pac. Rep. (Utah)

The Steel and Wire Trust is buying more mines and has recently added several on the Menominee range. It has sold 700,000 tons of vessel room for 1900 to the Carnegie Steel Company.

PERSONAL NEWS ITEMS

Ross B. Browns has returned to San Prancisco from a professional trip to Nephi, Utah. D. G. Warner the well known Helena. Mont., Min ing man is in Los Angeles, Cal., on business.

WM. M. COURTS, of Detroit, Mich., has been reporting on some mining properties in Colorado.

J. H. Davis, the Tucson banker and mining man was one of the visitors to Los Angeles, Cal., last

H. Grapton Vercos, is temporary in charge of the Riverside Gold Mines, Limited, near Perris, Cali

A. P. BRAYTON, SR., President Pelton Water Wheel Co., San Francisco, is home from an extended European tour.

CHARLES D. BURRAGE, of Boston, Treasurer of the Utah Consolidated of Bingham, has been spending some days in Utah.

J. ELLIOTT the mining man and capitalist of Nelson, British Columbia, is spending the winter in Southern California.

Col. George W. E. Dorsey, returned a short time ago to Salt Lake City from the east where he has been on important mining business.

F. A. KELLOGO, Superintendent of the Gladstone Mining Company's property at Chloride, Arizonia, made a visit to Los Angeles, Cal., last week.

O. O. HOWARD, JR., President Rateliff Consolidated Gold Mines, Ltd., and the Mt. Shasta Gold Mines, Ltd., has returned to San Francisco from New York.

EDMUND B. KIRBY, of Denver, Colo., has been appointed manager of the War Eagle mines at Rossland, B. C., and will in a few days start for his new field of labor.

URIAH DUDLEY, of Melbourne, Australia, is making an extended tour of observation of California mines. He is the founder of the Society of Australasian Min-

GEORGE MOORE, the manager of the Salt Lake City eyanide sampling department of the American Smelting and Refining Company, has been in the east during the past week on business and pleasure combined.

F. B. WARB, Vice-President Mt. Shasta Gold Mines, Ltd., and President Berthu G. M. Co. of Sonoru, Mexico, has gone from San Francisco to Mexico on an inspection of the new mill which is about completed at the mines.

DRAN & JONES, of Los Angeles, have installed two gas engines for mining purposes in the Slate range, forty miles north of Johannesberg. One is 27 horse power for operating a stamp mill and ore crusher. The other is 7½ horse power for pumping.

Max Lohr one of the principal stockholders of the London und Liverpool Exploration Co., of Salt Lake City, Utah, was among the visiting mining men in Los Angeles, Cal., last week. Mr. Lohr and party left for Phænix, Arizonia the middle of the week.

W. R. SHILLING, Superintendent of the Red Rover Mine at Acton, Los Angeles County, Cal., was in Los Angeles the other day. There is but little work being done at the mine now but it is expected operations will soon be resumed. The shaft is now down 700 feet with indications of good ore being found in the

near tuture.

W. H. COOLIDGE, of Boston, general counsel of the United States Mining Company, who visited the Company's Bingham property a week ago, was agreeably surprised and very much pleased with the magnificent showing in the consolidated mines over which J. W. Neill presides as general manager. Mr. Coolidge also inspecting the Centennial-Eureka, was delighted with conditions as exhibited in the workings of this splendid dividend payer.

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CYRUS OSBORNE BAKER, JR., of Baker & Co., the platinum buyers and refiners of Newark, N. J., made the JOURNAL'S, Los Angeles, Cal., Office a visit during his recent trip west. Very little is known to the average miner concerning the conditions under which platinum is found, and for that reason, we have made arrangements with Mr. Baker who is an expert in the mining and reduction of platinum, to secure from him a series of articles pertaining to the physical, chemical and commercial properties of that metal.

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How. James McGregor, for many years connected with the Crescent mine at Park City, expects to leave in the near future for Bayhorse, Idaho, where he will look after the property of the Salmon River Mining Company, in which he is the principal stockholder. This property, at the present time, is being worked by leasees, and during the past few months they have shipped in the neighborhood of 100 tons of ore to the Salt Lake market, the metallic contents of which averaged about 63.5 per cent lead and 70 ounces in silver to the ton.

NEW INCORPORATIONS IN THE MINING AND METAL INDUSTRIES

COLORADO

Mozurt Mining Co., Denver. General mining business. Capital, \$50,000 Incorporators: E. P. Sayre, L. P. Kimball, G. H. Campbell, R. H. M. Smith, F. O. Hall, all of Denver

Smith, F. O. Hall, all of Denver. General mining husiness. Capital, \$1,000,000. Incorporators: S. W. Mudd, H. J. Stephens, F. Brooks, all of Denver. Castleraine Mining & Leasing Co., Cripple Creek, General mining business. Capital, \$50,000.

Michigan-Wyoming Copper Co., Colorndo Springs. General mining business. Capital, \$1,000,000. Cripple Creek Claim Co., Cripple Creek. General mining business. Capital, \$40,000. Incorporators: J. P. Hadley, J. D. Husted, J. G. Raine, all of Cripple Creek.

Calumet Mexican Copper Mining Co., Denver. General mining business. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators: P. P. O'Ryan, E. W. Bassick, L. D. Sweet,

Gillett Herzog Manufacturing Co., of Minneapolis, finn. General mining business. Capital, \$75,000.

Columbia Coal Mining & Mercantile Co., of Roulder. General mining and miners' supply house. Capital. \$20,000. Incorporators: C. F. Wolfer, F. J. Buchheit, E. Smith, W. Phipps, T. Taylor, all of

East River Gold Mining & Milling Co., Crested Butte. General mining business. Capital, \$600,000. Incorporators: F. Samsill, J. W. Rockefeller, B. P. Bennett, all of Crested Butte.

Union Mining & Fluxing Co., Denver. General mining business. Incorporators: H. George, of Denver; C. Henkel, G. Holmes, both of Pueblo.

Oregon Mining Co., Pueblo. General mining business. Capital, \$50,000. Incorporators: D. R. Greene, H. Hernean, G. M. Greene, all of Pueblo.

Colorado Gold Producing Co., Denver. General mining business. Capital, \$1,000,000. Incorporators: W. A. Hunt, A. W. Pratt, S. R. Pratt, all of Denver.

Hondee Lead Mining Co., Lake City. General mining business. Capital, \$1,500,000. Incorporators: F. S. Reardon, W. F. Roc, P. L. Reardon, all of Lake

Bancroft Mining Co., Salida, General mining. Capital, \$50,000. Incorporators: B. B. Colgazer, H. W. Broadbent, of Wyandotte County, Kansas; T. D. Bancroft, C. B. Coffin, S. C. Payne, all of Salida.

Grand Junction Mining & Fuel Co., Denver. General mining business. Capital, \$30,000. Incorporators: P. F. Sharp, J. M. Buchanan, G. Smith, all of

Gold Calf Consolidated Mining Co., Colorado Springs. Capital, \$1,500,000. Incorporators: T. J. Burkholder, G. E. Lindley, W. F. Greenwood, E. Arkell, T. F. Dillon, all of Colorado Springs.

Gray House Gold Mining Co., Cripple Creek. Mining business. Capital, \$1,250,000. Incorporators: A. T. Jones, N. S. Gandy, H. M. Blackwell, all of Cripple Creek.

Cripple Creek.

Blue Mountain Copper Mining Co., Colorado Springs. Capital, \$1,500,000. Incorporators: L. E. Sherman, J. M. Auld, H. B. Nefl, J. M. Kellogg, all of Colorado Springs.

Dillon Gold Mining Co., Denver. General mining business. Capital \$1,250,000. Incorporators: M. Finnerty, W. H. Day, Jr., of Colorado Springs; J. E. Billups, S. Aldrich, J. W. Graham, all of Denver.

Titanic Gold Mining Co., Denver. General mining business. Capital, \$1,500,000. Incorporators: E. R. Lewin, E. B. Coe, M. B. Carpenter, De Putron Glidden, W. W. Wishon, D. E. Heller, Dr. J. McKey Gliddon, all of Denver.

Little Jewel Mining Co., Denver. General mining business. Capital, \$10,000. Incorporators: J. P. Ridgway, I. J. Wood, M. Berger, all of Denver.

DELAWARE.

Connecticut Zine Co. Mining lead, zine, etc. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators: L. B. Plimpton, E. Cady, E. B. Dow, H. S. Bullard, all of Hartford, Ct. United States Aluminum Mining Co. Capital, \$500,000. Incorporators: J. L. Woolcott, J. Virdin, Lord, all of Dover.

ILLINOIS.

Chicago-Auburn Co., Auburn. Mining coal.
Capital, \$2,500. Incorporators: R. R. Bradley, M.
F. Sullilvan, both of Chicago; W. Nichols, of Auburn.
Roya Mining Co., Chicago. General mining and
milling business. Capital, \$30,000. Incorporators:
R. H. Lanyon, F. Pischel, F. W. Klippel, all of Chi-

Pederal Lend & Zine Co., Chicago. General mining and milling business. Capital, \$50,000. Incorporators: C. G. Binnden, J. P. Savert F. B. Pease, all of

Spurgeon Mining Co., Chicago. Mining and smelt-ig business. Capital, \$6,000. Incorporators: J. Adams, A Jarvis, R. B. Burke, all of Chicago

National Mexican Mining Co., Portland. Capital, \$1,000,000. Incorporators: R. S. James, of Evanston, Ill.; J. Nichols, of Hartford, Ct.; W. A. R Boothby, of Waterville, Mc.

Big Six Gold Mining & Milling Co., Portland-General mining business. Capital, \$250,000. Incor-porators: H. L. Baker, of Boston; W. S. Kent, of Melrose; H. C. Farr, of Portland.

SHOW LETTER VIN.

Haudy Bros. Mining Co., West Bay City. General mining business. Capital, \$60,000. Incorporators: G. W. Handy, T. L. Handy, C. W. Handy, F. Haudy, all of West Bay City.

Wolverine Development Co., Marshall, General mining and smelting business. Capital, \$50,000-lncorporators: F. A. Stuart, of Marshall; J. B. Watson, D. Warner, of Bronson; G. Macord, of Battle Creek.

MISSOURI.

Combination Zine Mining Co., Kausas City, General mining and smelting business. Capital, \$50,000. Incorporators: A. F. Nathan, O. S. Bowman, H. A. Willson, J. W. Young, all of Kansas City; R. S. Harris, of Galena, Kan.

Wheel Of Fortune Lead & Zine Mining Co., Carthage. General mining business. Capital, \$24,000. Incorporators: W. Patten, W. McMillian, B. N. Beach, of Carthage; B. Summerfield, of Lawrence, Kan.; A. J. Stein, of Terre Haute, Ind.

Reindeer Mining Co., St. Louis. General mining business. Capital, \$15,000. Incorporators: A. J. Isch, R. McConnell, J. H. Higginbotham, C. P. Woodruff, all of St. Louis.

Helen Zine & Lead Mining Co., Joplin, General mining business. Capital, \$200,000. Incorporators: W. W. Gregg, of Joplin; W. H. Cleminshaw, J. P. Kilfoyl, C. W. Somers, all of Cleveland, O.; J. J. McPherson, L. P. Cunningham, both of Joplin, Mo.

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Miller Hollow Zinc Mining Co., Kansas City. General mining business. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators: W. E. Swentzell, W. Huttig, G. P. Snyder, J. G. Strean, all of Kansas City; J. E. Tutton, W. E. Best, O. W. Sparks, all of Columbus, Kan.
Juggernaut Zinc Mining Co., Kansas City. General mining business. Capital, \$60,000. Incorporators: P. A. Hornbeck, J. U. Bruner, E. O. Haight, A. L. Howe, N. S. Doran, J. D. Eubank, all of Kansas City.

Magnolia Zinc & Lend Co., Joplin, General mining business. Capital, \$200,000. Incorporators: W. H. Wells, T. Dolan, Mrs. E. Spurgin, ali of Joplin, J. P. Carman, E. A. Snowman, J. H. Ripley, W. W. Rad-cliffe, all of Springfield, Mass.

Eight Forty-Eight Mining Co., Kansas City. General mining business. Capital, \$2,500. Incorporators: A. T. Parmer, J. Reyner, R. Murphy, D. W. Vaughan, R. U. Griffith, all of Kansas City.

SEW HAMPSHIRE.

Boston Reduction Co., Boston. General mining business. Capital, \$500,000. Incorporators: W. H. Burlen, E. C. Ketchum, C. H. Burleigh, B. A. Paige, all of Boston; N. P. Curtis, of Newton.

NEW JERSEY.

Colorado Maid Mining Co.—Principal office, No. 259 Washington street, Jersey City. Mining. Capital, \$1,000,000. Incorporators: Samuel H. Guinsborg, William S. Long, Alex. J. Halter, of New York; Henry Ullman, Jersey City; George T. Coleman, Denver, Col.

Clio Mining & Milling Co.—Principal office, No. 1 Exchange Place, Jersey City. Mining, etc. Capital, \$500,000. Incorporators. G. L. Dayton, Charles C. Keely, Jersey City, Theodore Rurode, Hackensack, N.

Alaska Industrial Co.—Principal office, No. 248
Washington street, Jersey City. Mining, etc. Capital, \$10,000,000. Incorporators: Charles N. King,
Robert A. Lawrie, Charles C. Levenson, all of Jersey

Hondurus Milling & Land Co.—Principal office, Pier G, Jersey City (Lehigh Valley Railroad). Min-ing, etc. Capital, 3150,000. Incorporators: Ander-son Fowler, Charles E. Wickers, A. J. Toomey, New York City; J. W. Ebbs, Englewood Cliff, N. J.

Jophn-Galena Consolidated Zine and Lead Co.— Principal office, the Corporation Trust Co. Building. Francey City, N. J. Mine and manufacture of zine, lead, etc. Capital, \$1,000,000. Incorporators. Charles B. Pennoyer, Benjamin F. Hersh, Percy W.

Quaker City Lead & Zine Mining Co.—Principal office, No. 427 Market attreet, Camden, N. J. Mine lead, zinc, etc Capital, \$250,000. Incorporatora Charles N. Apple, George Nebeker, Charles F. Elkinton, all of Camden, N. J.

New Jersey & Missouri Zine Mining Co.—Principal office, New Jersey Registration & Trust Co. Building. East Orange, N. J. Mining of zinc, etc. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators: Frederick W. Garvin, C. Frederick Smith, Edward B. Hawkins.

NRW YORK

Congo Coal Mining Co., New York City. General mining business. Capital, \$300,000. Incorporatoris: H. W. Merwin, C. W. Dodd, J. J. Daly, of Brooklyn; W. L. Ball, P. M. Gernsheim, of New York

Kennon Coal Co., Cleveland. General mining business. Capital, \$2,100. Incorporators: J. A. Hobson, C. A. Townsend, V. N. Marsh, J. P. Townsend, H. B.

PENNSYLVANIA.

Donahue Coke Co., Greensburg, General mining business. Capital, \$180,000, Incorporators: T Donohue, J. P. Donohue, J. U. Kuhne, S. F. Potter, W. A. Wilson, all of Greensburg.

WASHINGTON

Bonanza Mining and Milling Co., Dayton. Capital, \$50,000. Incorporators: R. A. Jackson, H. Patrick, C. P. Curll, all of Dayton.

Vanadium Mining Co., Daytou. General mining business. Capital, \$50,000. Incorporators: R. F. Sturdevant, R. B. Brown, J. W. Doling, J. M. Miller, all of Dayton.

Red Mountain Gold Mining Co., New Whatcom. Capital, \$1,000,000. Incorporators: H. G. Anderson, C. W. Both, of Nooksnek; C. L. Serimsher, J. M. Boyd of New Whatcom; W. A. Hall of Scattle.

Pacific Coast Mining and Prospecting Co., Everett. Capital, \$2,000,000. Incorporators: Joseph Mayer, G. Schley, both of Everett,

Gold Coin Mining Co. of Alaska, Scattle. Incorporators: L. C. Dillman, W. W. Spaulding, of Tacoma; L. H. Griffith, J. H. Hughes of Scattle.

Mastadon Gold and Copper Co., Spokane. General mining business. Capital, \$200,000. Incorporators: J. O. Bender, W. F. Powell, both of Spokane.

Lame Poot Mining Co., Spokane. General mining business. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators: H. F. Baer, L. Baer, B. Blakeslee, all of Spokane.

Wehe Consolidated Mining & Milling Co., Wehesville. General mining and milling business. Capital, \$11,000,000. Incorporators: A. M. Wehe, of Wehesville, Wash.; C. W. Preston, W. A. McCain, both of Blanchard, S. D.

Kootenai Valley Mining & Milling Co., Spokane. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators: C. S. Edwards, H. A. McClure, A. C. Burrows, all of Spokane.

Cedar Canyon Consolidated Mining Co., Spokane, Capital, \$75,000,000. Incorporators: S. Rosenhaupt, W. J. C. Wakefield, J. H. Peet, C. Theis, all of Spokane.

McKinley Consolidated Gold Mining Co., Spokane, Capital, \$50,000. Incorporators: W. F. Vaughn, M. P. White, O. Kratzer, all of Spokane.

Examiner Mining Co., Spokane. Capital, \$25,000. Incorporators: W. P. Keeler, M. Forrest, C. H. Jel-sett, C. E. Klingman, all of Spokane.

Three Zones Mining Co., Scattle, Capital, \$1,000,-00. Incorporators: W. E. Bronson, B. Poster, C. 000. Incorporators: \\Tucker, all of Seattle.

Heela Copper Mining Co., Seattle. Capital. \$100,000. Incorporators: A. M. Wutt, F. B. Bourg, H. L. Harding, all of Seattle.

Iriquois Copper Mining Co., Scattle. General mining busines. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators: P. Wright, C. T. Moore, G. Kenyon, all of Senttle.

Imperial Gold & Copper Mining Co., Seattle. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators: J. H. Lyons, B. Tracey, H. Tarnow, all of Seattle.

America Britannia Mining Co., Everett. General mining business. Incorporators: F. J. Riley, C. Camphell, both of Everett.

WEST VIRGINIA.

Roston Adirondack Gold Mining Co. Boston, lass. General mining and milling business Capital,

\$1,000,000. Incorporators: A. E. Woodbury, of Hudson; C. C. Corbett, C. A. Godly, F. B. Tuttle, of Roston, Mass., B. P. Bellows, of Gloversville, N. Y.

English American Gold Mining Co., New York City. General Mining Business. Capital, \$1,000,000. In-corporators: L. H. Dospassos, J. J. Schmidt, T. P. Parrell, E. P. Charles, T. F. Lennon, all of New York

Water Creek Zine Mining Development Co., Yell-ville, Ark. General mining and milling business. Capital, \$5,000,000. Incorporators: H. H. Gans-berger, C. J. Wood, J. P. Klein, J. H. Gansberger, A. Newell, all of Chicago.

Annie Gifford Gold Mining Co. of Arizona. London, Ont. General mining and milling business Capital, \$500,000, Incorporators: A. E. Ganed, T. A. Contey, F. H. Robinson, W. S. Murray, H. C. Simpson, all of London, Ont.

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Porest Coal Mining Co., Pairmont. General
mining business. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators:

B. P. Bvans, J. B. Sulger, P. M. Diver, F. W. Hess.

H. E. Johnson, all of Philadelphia, Pa.

H. E. Johnson, all of Philadelphia, Pa.
Fairmont & Baltimore Coal & Coke Co., Fairmont. General mining business. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators: J. A. Clark, C. D. Judkins, of Fairmont; G. W Baer, M. McD Price, of Baltimore, Md.; E. M. Court, of Columbus, O.
Chicago Gold Placer Mining Co., Chicago, Ill., General mining and milling husiness. Capital, \$1,000,000. Incorporators E. Haynes, E. P. Atfield, H. M. Dewar, P. J. Howard, T. Haynes, all of Chicago, Ill.
Tonsy Mining Co. Papuar, Col., Control of Control of

Topsy Mining Co., Denver, Col. General mining and developing business. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators: S. S. Murphy, A. C. Anderson, S. B. Bradley, B. M. Carr, B. J. Churchill, all of Denver,

Cabin Creek Conl Co., Charleston. General coal and coke business Capital, \$200,000. Incorporators H. A. Robson, of Cotton Hill; L. Prichard, A. M. Prichard, H. L. Prichard, D. L. Ruffner, all of Charles-

Roaring Spring Zinc & Lead Co., Boston, Mass. General mining business. Capital, \$100,000. Incorparators: J. A. Emery, O. W. Emery, J. N. Parks, B. E. Burlingame, all of Boston, Mass.; J. B. Mace, of Plymouth, Mass.

New England Zine Co., Jophin, Mo. General min-ing and milling business. Capital, \$1,000,000. In-corporators: W. H. McMan us, W. H. McMannus, Jr., of Brooklyn; J. Bronn, M. W. Geisenger, L. B. Bunker, all of New York City.

Bureka Mining & Milling Co., Pueblo, Colo. Capital, \$2,500,000. Incorporators: C. W.Shanabrook, D. Underwood, J. Latham, C. B. Freigh, P. Anderson, all of Pueblo, Col.

Bonanza King Yiming & Milling Co., Lovelocks Nex. General mining and milling business. Capital, \$1,000,000. Incorporators: C. S. Wyan, C. P. Gately, C. N. Denedict, W. M. Kennard, J. C. Pea-body, all of New York City.

Nameless Mining Co., New York City. General mining and milling business. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators: F. Jellenik, N. D. Stern, H. S. Weed, Tillie Richman, A. Schutzinger, all of New York

Piatt Gold Muning & Milling Co., Rochester, N. Y. Capital, \$200,000. Incorporators: O. Wilson, Jersey City; J. A. Piatt, L. Piatt, A. Piatt, W. C. Negus, all of Livonia, N. Y.

Columbin Consolidated Mining Co., Boston, Mass. General mining and milling business. Capital, \$1,500,000. Incorporators: C. H. Russell, B. D. Robbins, H. J. Wilkins, H. A. Ridcout, W. T. Sea-

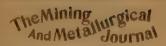
Home Copper Mining Co., Rawlins, Capital, \$1,000,000. Incorporators: J. B. Osborne, W. L. Whitney, I. C. Miller, P. Paulsen, C. P. Clemmons, all of Rawlins.

Isabel Copper Mining Co. General mining business. Capital, \$250,000. Incorporators: C. H. Brunner, G. J. Haslan, T. Carroll, J. H. Knowles, W. H. Clemmons.

Headlight Copper Mining Co. Grand Encampment. General mining business. Capital, \$1,000,000. Incorporators: C. A. Finley, W. C. Henry, P. Lee, A. F. Priest, M. J. O'Rourke, all of Grand Encampment.

Crossus Gold Mining Co., Cambria. General mining business. Capital, \$1,000,000. Incorporators: J. H. Ames, W. H. Kelly, B. Dickinson, of Omaha; N. S. Harwood, of Lincoln, Neb.; R. J. Kilpatrick, of Cambria, Wyo.

Prince Gold & Copper Mining Co., Rawlins. General mining husiness. Capital, \$100,000. Incorporators: J. M. Glidden, J. O. Chentham, M. T. Amonett, I. C. Miller, A. McMicken, all of Rawlins.



THE MARKETS.

METALS.

NEW YORK, Oct. 14th, 1899. The following are the Silver, Copper and Lead quotations for the last two

		MILVER,	COPPES.	ERAD
Nov	16	58%	17 00	4 60
116	17	6834	17 00	4 00
1.6	18	5.9.5	17 00	4.66
		6842	17 00	4 5754
11	21	0834	17 00	4 6756
	22	58.83	17 00	4 5756
14	23	fint.	17 00	4.60
10	24	6836	17 00	4 60
9.3	25	8834	17 00	4 60
43	27	5836	17 00	4 00
	25	5836	17 00	4 60
	29 .	8836	17 00	4 60

Prices remain unchanged from those quoted last week. Lake copper 18½c, Blectrolytic in cakes, wirebars and Ingots 17 @ 17½, Cathode 16¾ @ 16½c, casting copper 17 enominal. The foreign market is still dominated by difficulties betw. England and Transvaal. London

is quoted, English tough £78, 15a @ £79 to quantities needed to cover immediate

Lead continues in good demand and with no change in prices. New York being quoted at 4.65@4-60. The loreign market has been irregular

but the cendence is upwards. Spot is quoted at £15 17s 6d@£16 2s 6d for Spanish and £16 5s@£16 7s 6d for Euglish, whic futures are at a discount of 5s

SPELTER

The disquiting news from the ore-fields attreed up consumers and a good business has resulted at attfening prices. New York is quoted at 5.45,005.50

The foreign market is also firmer and again higher good ordinaries being quoted at £22 12 6d, Specials £22 178 0d

ANTIMONY.

Antimony is in good demand. We quote Cooksons at 101/2/2011c, Hallett's at 91/4/401/4, U.S. Star and Hungarian

The Silver market has been steady and don prices are 14-6016d, per lb., according ges during the week and closing at 263, in London.

It is quite natural that this article, which is always volatile should suffer in consequence of the unsettled state of affairs abroad and the higher money market. Fluctuations have been rather wide but the close is again firm at £:45 15s for spot and £146 2s 6d for three months. The exports from the United States in In New York the buying was restricted August amounted to \$12,653.

requirements although consumption con-tinues at a fair rate. We quote Straits incarload lots at 32% f. o. h New York

PLATINUM

The demand for Platinum is good and prices are firmer. New York is quoted \$17.75 per ounce for large lots and \$18 for smaller orders.

Purified, 98/99 per cent., in cases of 120 lb. at 30c. per lb. in 5, 10, 25 and 50 lb tins at an advance.

QUICKBILVER

The wholesale price in New York has advanced \$1 and is now \$48.00 per flask. The London price has risen to £8 178 6d per flask, with the same rate from second

THE MINOR METALS

Quotations are given below for New

Aluminum.					
No 2, 99 per cent. No. 2, 90 " "	ingots.	per ib		35	4937C
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Rolled sheets, per					
Aluminum Nicl	cel, per	1b,			78,39C
Alum bronge				20	(B233)
Biamuth, per Ib.,					
Phosphorus, per	lb				CO SOC
Magnesium				\$2.756	(\$1 nn ;
l'ungaten, per lb.				11111111	70C
Perro-tungaten, 6	о рег се	nt			500

the size of the order.

ACIDS.

Acetic is in good request, muriatic is moving briskly on contract, and sulphur-ic is unchanged. Blue vitriol is quiet. Only 50 bbls, oxalic axid were imported

CHEMICALS

Must of the business done in heavy chemicals is for future delivery, the little doing on spot being at advanced prices Imports this week included 200 drums. 210 casks and 2 bbls. bleaching powder Importers expect a curtailment of shipments from England When the Boer war is on, as the merchant vessels will be used for transporting troops to South Africa. Receipts of domestic goods at New York last week included 1056 sacks alkali and 250 drums caustic soda.

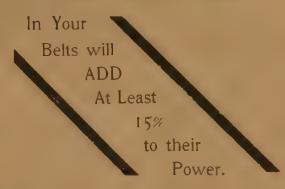
alkah and 200 drums caustic soda.

Caustic soda high test is quoted per 100 lbs. f.o.b. works at 1.77½ (1.82½), in New York, \$1.86(0\$1.90. Bicarbonate of soda is quoted per 100 lbs. f.o.b works. \$1.12½ (3.125. Chlorate of potash crystals in New York are quoted for domestic, \$8.75(99.00, foreign, \$9.25(9937½); powdered domestic at \$9.25(0) 9.50, and foreign, 9.50(0).75.

CHLORIDS OF LIME

Buglish prime brands are quoted at 1.65@1.75 with 1.50@1.60 for other brands.

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FINANCIAL NOTES.

AVERAGE PRICES OF METALS.

in New Yor	k per 10	U 10m.	trom J	anuary
1st, 1899:				
Month	Copper	Tin	Lead	B pelter
January	14.73	22.48	4.18	5-34
February,	18 810	74,20	4.49	6.58
March	17.74	23,82	4-37	6.31
April .		74 98	4.31	6.67
May	18.35	25.76	4:44	6.83
June	17.03	15 85	4-4936	5 98
July	18.33	29 63	4.52	5.82
August	15/30	31.53	4-57	5.65
September	47.46	32-74	4.58	5.50
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Month.	1499	1898	1897
	Cente	Cents	Cents,
January	59.85	56.77	64.79
Pebruary .	59.32	56.07	64.67
March	59.64	64.90	JEST (1963)
April	60.10	56.02	61.86
May	61.2	56.98	(4) 42
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August	60.00	19.54	54 19
September	78.51	60,68	55.24
October		60.42	57.57
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MONEY IN CIRCULATION.

Comparative statement of the circulation in the United States on Oct. 1st 1899. Comparison being made with

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	October 1,	Changes
Gold	\$646,561,185 D.	\$26,372,007
Silver		5,395,932
Legal Tenders	314 954,600 Iv	4,824,179
Treas'y a N't'l B'k N'tes	319.688, 956 D.	483,165
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total amount coined or issued. The figures herewith are furnished by the Bureau of Statistics Treasury Depart

MONEY IN TREASURY.

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The Gold and Silver bullion on hand in statement

GOLD AND SIVLER EXPORTS AND IMPORTS.

At all United States ports, for the month of Septemb., 1899, and 9 months ending September, 1898, and 1899

Gold- Exports. Imports.	9877 EMH46R 1898 \$ 3,102,810 16,868,341	1899 \$ 6(18,995 2,593,794 I \$ 1,074,590
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NINE MONTHS ENDING ADOUST

Gold Exports Imports	1898 12,781,923 132,877,838 17,343,816 34,268,421
Silver- Exports	
Excess . E.	8,334,276 H. \$16,014,336

Gold and Silver certificates and currency are not included in this table. By adding the amounts given in this table with those in the following will give the of Statistics of the Treasury Department.

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Actns Cons	California .	100,000 (125 000	500 000 125 000	* 5 1	≉ 10 02	Oct 1899 ; April 1899	\$ 195,000 2,500	Q. G. C. L.
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laska Mexican	Alaska	200,000	1 000,000	5 25	10 2 00	July 1899 Nov 1899	12,150 000	č.
naconda Copper	Montana Colorado	1,200,000 600 000	800,000	1	03	Apr 1800 .	198 000	(1)
imerican Gold	Colorado	800 000	3,000 000	10 25	09 1 25	June 1890	484,000 727,500	G, S, L Coal
merican Coal	Maryland, Missouri	80,000	1,500,000	25	10	Oct 1899 .	40,000	Z., L.
merican Zinc, Lead and Smelting	Michigan	100,000	2,500,000	25	50	June 1899	890,000 340,000	1.
rgonaut	California	200,000 250,000	2,000,000 250,000	10	10 06	Aug 1899	747,141	G, 0 8
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oston & California	California	600,000	800,000 7 50 000	50	06 5 00	June 1899	375 000	,
oston and Colorado Smelting oston & Montana Con	Colorado	15,000 150,000	3,750,000	25	10 00	Vag 1899	12,275 000	9, C, 8
reece	Colorado	200,000	5,000 000	25 10	05 10	Sept 1899	60,000 2,408 100	G, S.
ullion Beck and Champion	Utah	100,000 800,000	1 000,000	10	07	May 1890	705,000	8. L.
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reston Leasing	Colorado	1,000 000	1 000,000	1	01	Dec 1898	54,100 232,000	G.S. L.
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elena and Frieco	S. Dakota	100,000	10,000,000	100	20	July 1899	3,924,718	G.
loly Terror	8 Dakota	300,000	300,000	1	01 50	July 1899	1 12,000 7,828,750	G. G.
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lead		2,000,000	300,000	1	01	Dec 1898	12 624	
foulton.	Montana	400,000	2,000,000	5	05	Feb 1899	480,000 8,000	
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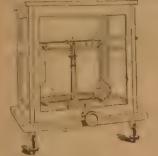




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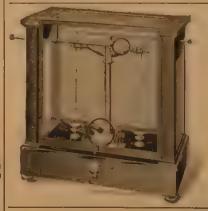
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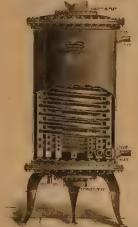


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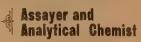
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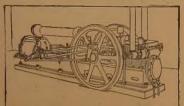


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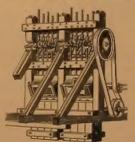
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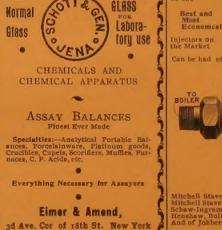
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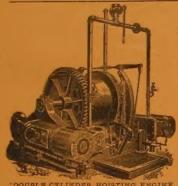
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